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On the 54 rolls of this microfilm publication, M1650, are reproduced applications for enrollment in the Five Civilized Tribes under the act of June 10, 1896. These applications, housed in the National Archives-Southwest Region, Fort Worth, Texas, were maintained by the Muskogee Area Office and are part of Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Record Group 75.

#### Background

On March 3, 1893, Congress authorized the establishment of a commission to negotiate agreements with each of the Five Civilized Tribes--Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole. The Dawes Commission, named for its chairman, Senator Henry Dawes of Massachusetts, undertook the compilation of a complete Indian census that could be used as the basis for the allotment of tribal lands to individual Indians.

Prior to 1896, the tribes exercised sole jurisdiction over tribal citizenship, but in that year Congress passed an act allowing the Commission to hear and "determine the applications of all persons who may apply to them for citizenship and...determine the right of such applicant to be admitted and enrolled." The Dawes Commission issued notices on July 8, 1896, announcing that it would accept applications for citizenship until September 10, 1896. The application had to be a signed and sworn statement containing all the facts supporting the claim, and the applicant had to provide proof that a copy had been furnished to the tribal chief. Congress required the Commission to make its decision within 90 days of receipt of the application and authorized an appeal process through the recently established U. S. Court in Indian Territory.

The application and appeal process had been underway for two years when Congress passed the Curtis Act on June 28, 1898, (30 Stat. 495). The act authorized the Commission to prepare for each tribe new citizenship rolls that incorporated names



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of successful applicants. This "Final Roll" became the only roll used for allotment purposes.

### Records Description

This microfilm publication comprises the applications for enrollment of Cherokees, Chickasaws, Choctaws, and Creeks, as well as those of former slaves (freedmen) of the Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes. The National Archives has not located any Seminole applications. Applicants to the Commission included Indians by blood; spouses of Indians, although the spouses themselves were not Indians by blood; and freedmen who had formerly belonged to members of the Five Civilized Tribes.

When they were in active use, most applications were filed numerically according to application numbers assigned by the Commission. Applications from Chickasaw and Choctaw freedmen were filed separately from those of other applicants for citizenship in the two tribes. The Commission maintained some applications, called Choctaw-Chickasaw Duplicates, in alphabetical arrangement. Despite their title, these files do not duplicate any of the applications filed numerically.

To facilitate access to the numerically-filed applications, the Commission prepared several indexes. These have been consolidated into one index and are reproduced on roll 1 of this publication.

Typical application files include supporting affidavits, depositions, letters, memorials, answers of tribal attorneys objecting to enrollment, lists of evidence, and receipts for service of papers. Also included are notices of appeal to the U.S. Court in Indian Territory at either South McAlester or Ardmore and a reference to the case number assigned by the court. While several files contain only a receipt for papers signed by the Clerk of the U.S. Court, a few files document in greater detail the applicant's life. Occasionally there are marriage licenses, photographs, and judgments issued by the U. S. court. Some records provide background information on the applicant including name, post office address, age, degree of blood, lists of children and their ages, and other relatives. Every

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document within the application files has been microfilmed.

On the last roll of microfilm are miscellaneous files and applications that were received too late for consideration. These records are not included in the index on roll 1.

### Related Records

Related records are found in other series within the Bureau of Indian Affairs, RG 75. The Final Rolls, also known as the "Dawes Rolls," have been reproduced as Enrollment Cards for the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914 (M1186). These enrollment cards include both individuals with tribal citizenship before 1896 and those who were approved for citizenship by the Dawes Commission. The applications for enrollment on the Final Rolls have been reproduced as Applications for Enrollment of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914 (M1301). Records relating to enrollment and allotment for the Five Civilized Tribes, including appeals to the U. S. Court in Indian Territory and cases heard before the Choctaw-Chickasaw Citizenship Court in Tishomingo and McAlester, are housed at the National Archives-Southwest Region (entries #60A-101, and 114-126). Related records for the Five Civilized Tribes are housed at the Oklahoma Historical Society, Oklahoma City.

Meg Hacker wrote these introductory remarks and prepared the records for filming. Volunteers at the National Archives-Southwest Region created the consolidated index.



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Borbona Whitehead

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Joseph Muller  


Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen, do solemnly swear that on the 4th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 312, received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Borkana Whitehead and of the affidavit of Borkana Whitehead and Amos Bennett in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 4th day of September, 1896.

State Ark.  
County Sebastian

Thos. W. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.



Application for Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

Barbara Whitehead Et Al., PETITIONER, VS. Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, RESPONDENT. APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION: Your petitioner Barbara Whitehead states that Elizabeth Ross, Joseph Asbill and Ross Asbill Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation in North Carolina and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elizabeth Ross, Joseph Asbill and Ross Asbill Cherokee Indians for the year or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians to-wit: That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Ross and Joseph Asbill and Elizabeth Ross Asbill

That the post-office address of your petitioner is Beck, I. T That she is one-sixteenth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Ruth E. Spoons, who is the daughter of the late Jaily Johnson who was the daughter of the late Ross Asbill. That the said Ross Asbill was a half-blood Cherokee, and was a recognized citizen be h in the old Cherokee Nation in North Caro ina, and in the present Cherokee Nation; and who was the son of the late Joseph Asbill, who was a half-blood Cherokee, and Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross, who was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and both of whom were recognized citizens and members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and of the Cherokee Nation in the old Cherokee Ntion in NorthCarolina

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner two persons, as follows, to-wit:

Effie E. Whitehead daughter and 4 years of age  
Ess Lee and 3 years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age  
, and years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that her name, with those of

..... said descendants, to-wit:.....  
**Effie W. and Esso Lee Whitehead**

and..... **herself** ..... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other..... **Cherokee** ..... Indians, in and to the..... **Cherokee** ..... Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

.....  
Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner..... **Barbara Whitehead** ..... says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

..... **Barbara Whitehead**  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this **31** day of **Aug**,..... 189.....

..... **Frank Bradburn** .....

Notary Public

Application of

FOR

Filed on the..... day of..... 189.....

Sec. U. S. Com. Pro. Ct. T. Ind.

Attorney for Petitioner



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Barbara Whitehead  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.  
STATE OF Indian Territory  
COUNTY OF Northern Div.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Barbara Whitehead who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That she is 25 years of age, a resident of the State of Indian Territory and County of                      and that she ~~is personally acquainted with~~                       
~~she~~ is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That ~~she~~ is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-sixteenth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Ruth E. Spoons, who is the daughter of the late Williams and Jaily Johnson. That the maiden name of said Jaily Johnson was Asbill, and was the daughter of the late Ross Asbill. That the said Ross Asbill was a Cherokee by blood, as affiant is informed and verily believes, and she verily believes that he was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, both in the old Cherokee Nation, east of the Mississippi, and in the present Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory. Affiant further states that the said Ross Asbill was the son of the late Joseph Asbill and Elizabeth Ross nee Asbill. That the said Joseph Asbill was a half-blood Cherokee Indian; and the said Elizabeth ~~Ross~~ Asbill nee Ross was a full blood Cherokee Indian; and that that both of them were recognized citizens of the Cherokee Nation in the old Cherokee Nation east of the Mississippi, and in the States of North Carolina and Tenn.

Affiant further states that she is a direct lineal descendant of the late Joseph Asbill, Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross and Ross Asbill; and that she is rightly and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of her Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states that she intermarried with John Whitehead, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living, the children mentioned in affiant's application. That said children are of Cherokee blood and descent.

Affiant further states: That ~~she~~                      ~~has been and is recognized by~~                      neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having                      Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said                      indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of                      ~~he~~                      believes                      ~~herself~~                      to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of Aug. 1896  
Frank Bradburn

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My commission expires

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF.....**Barbara Whitehead**.....  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE.....**Cherokee**.....NATION.  
STATE OF **Indian Territory**  
COUNTY OF **Northern Dist.**

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared...**Amos Bernatti**.....who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That he.....is...**64**...years of age, a resident of the State of...**Cherokee Nation**...and County of **Sequoyah District**. He...is personally acquainted with...**Barbara Whitehead**.....who is an applicant for citizenship in the...**Cherokee**.....Nation. Affiant further states  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That he is well known to the said Barbara Whitehead; and his affiant knows that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Barbara Whitehead indicate very strongly that she is of Cherokee blood and descent. Affiant further states that the said Barbara Whitehead is one-sixteenth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Ruth E. Spoons, who is the daughter of the late Jolly Johnson, who was the daughter of the late Ross Asbill. Affiant further states that he remembers well the said Ross Asbill, and this affiant knows full well that the said Ross Asbill was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians both in the old Cherokee Nation east of the Mississippi, and in the present Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory. Affiant further says that he has been taught from his earliest infancy that the said Ross Asbill was the son of the late Joseph Asbill and Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross. That the said Joseph Asbill was a half-blood Cherokee, and was a recognized member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, as was his wife, the said Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross, who was a full blood Cherokee Indian. They resided in North Carolina the old Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states that he knows that the said Barbara is the identical person that she represents herself to be in her application for Cherokee citizenship; and that, the said Barbara Whitehead is a direct lineal descendant of the late Joseph Asbill, Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross and Ross Asbill, all of whom were recognized members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. Affiant further states that the said Barbara Whitehead and her descendants are rightfully entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That...~~she~~...~~has been and is recognized by~~...~~her~~...~~neighbors~~...~~acquaintances and the public generally as having~~...~~Cherokee~~...~~Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance~~...~~herself~~...~~indicate that~~...~~she~~...~~is of~~...~~Cherokee~~...~~Indian blood and descent.~~ Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family ~~herself~~...~~he believes~~...~~to be a descendant by blood~~ of the...**Cherokee**...Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of.....189.....

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My commission expires.....



Nation's No. 2800  
Commission's No .....  
In re Application of

Borobea White Lead

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. ☆  
J. A. S. McKENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Whitehead et al*

Nation's No. *2800*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*James Schier*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Thurthum, Hartup & Broadbent* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

*25*

day of

*Sept*

1896

*D. J. Paul*

NOTARY PUBLIC



**End**

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No. 1670  
Edmund Webb

v  
Cherokee

Filed 17 Sept 1886  
Am J. Brown  
OK

Accepted

J. B. Miller - atty.

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Edmund Webb  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.  
STATE OF Arkansas }  
COUNTY OF Sebastian } SS.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Edmund Webb who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That he is years of age, a resident of the State of Arkansas and County of Sebastian and that is personally acquainted with  
who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That his post office address is Fort Smith, Ark. and that he is an admixture of negro and Cherokee Indian blood that he derives his Cherokee blood from Rebecca Webb, who is his mother, and that the maiden name of said Rebecca is Moody and she is the daughter of the late Joe Moody who was an admixture of negro and Cherokee blood and who was the son of the late Moody who was a full blood Cherokee Indian and a recognized citizen of the Old Cherokee Nation and a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe and who was born in the state of Tenn. and who died in the state of in 18....  
Affiant further says that he intermarried with Hattie Wiley and that by such marriage the children mentioned in affiant's application were born and are now living and that the said children are admixtures of negro and Cherokee blood and are at least 1/8 Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That the said has known the said the past years and knows that is of Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said indicates that is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Moody he believes the said himself to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of September 1894

Edmund Webb

Mr. A. L. Latham  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires March 1900



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen.....do solemnly swear that on the 5th  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 382.....received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Edmund Webb.....and of the  
affidavit of Edmund Webb.....  
in support of Vester Mullen.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5th day of September, 1896.

W. A. C.  
County Clerk

W. A. C.  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

## Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

Edmund Webb

Et Al,  
PETITIONER,

VS.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Moodey

Your petitioner Edmund Webb states that Cherokee was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in

In the Old Cherokee Nation now Tenn. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits

and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Moodey appears,

or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Moodey to-wit:

That his post office address is Fort Smith, Ark. that he is 33 years of age that he is an admixture of negro and Cherokee blood and that he is at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  Cherokee blood, that he derives his Cherokee Indian blood from his mother Rebecca Webb nee Moodey who was the daughter of Joe Moodey who was the son of the late Moodey who was a Cherokee Indian and a recognized citizen of the Old Cherokee Nation and member of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and that the said Moodey was born in the state of , and that he died in the state of , in 18...

Applicant further says that he intermarried with Hattie Wiley and that by such marriage the children mentioned herein below were born and are now living and that the said children are admixture of white and Cherokee Indian blood and are at least  $\frac{1}{8}$  Cherokee blood.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner persons, as follows, to-wit:

Eddie Webb	son	and	13	years of age
Ivora Webb	daughter	and	11	years of age
Ollie	"	and	9	years of age
Floriette	son	and	4	years of age
Chester	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age
	"	and		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that name, with those of



.....said descendants, to-wit:.....

and.....be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other.....Indians, in and to the.....Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys For Petitioners.

State of Arkansas }  
County of Sebastian }

The aforesaid petitioner.....

Edmund Webb

says that the state

contents set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

Edmund Webb  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 1 day of September, 1896.

Mr. B. Latham

My Commission Expires Feb. 14 1900.

Notary Public

Application of

FOR

Enrollment in.....Nation.

Filed on the.....day of.....1896.

Sec. U.S. Gen. P. & C. Tribes

Attorney for Petitioner.

Nation's No. 2798  
Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

Edmund Kibb  
et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. \*

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Edmund S. Webb*  
*at*

Nation's No.

*2798-*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:-

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Moody*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By

*Wadings, Thel dings, Ben dings* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*26*

day of

*Sept.*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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No. 1979  
Sousa Sousa

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Chapman

Filed 7 Sept 1896  
H M J. Brown  
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Accepted

Joseph H. Muller  
Att'y



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

TO HON. HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKEWEN, THOS. E. CARANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by act of Congress of June 10th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Gentlemen:-

The undersigned, your petitioner, for and in behalf of herself and her children, this day makes application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians, and of those allowed to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. And grounds upon which her claim is based are as follows, to-wit:

That the name of your petitioner is Louisa E. Sanders. That she is 43 years of age; that her post-office address is Van Bure Ark. That she is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her father, the late Jerry Adkins (Louisa Adkins was his wife) That the said Jerry Adkins was the son of the late Morris Adkins and Nancy Adkins. That the maiden name of said Nancy was Nunn, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian woman, and who resided in the old Cherokee Nation east of the Mississippi, and who was a recognized citizen and a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and of the Cherokee Nation of Indians.

Affiant further states that she intermarried with Alfred J. Cowell, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living, to children, viz:- ~~MARY L. ANDERSON~~ Mary L. and Nannie E. That said Cowell died, and she subsequently intermarried with Benjamin R. Sanders, and by such intermarriage there herein below mentioned children were born. That said children are of Cherokee blood.

And in support of said claim, your petitioner herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence, namely:

Affidavits of Jesse Martin, Thos. J. Taylor and John Ross.

and respectfully awaits the time and place when my application shall be heard and tried.  
Respectfully submitted,

NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
Mary L. Hucklaberry nee Cowell	26	daughter
Nannie E. Anderson nee Cowell	22	"
John A. Sanders	14	son
Julia O.	14	daughter
Jasper C.	8	son
William S.	8	son
Lydia M.	8	daughter
Welathy L.		son

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Notary Public

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the State of Arkansas, the within and above named Louisa E. Sanders, who being duly sworn, states that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true as she verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of July, 1907.

My commission expires on the 31st day of July, 1907.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Louisa E. Sanders  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Territory  
Northern Div.  
COUNTY OF Sequoyah

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Thos. J. Taylor who, being by me duly sworn states:

That he is 75 years of age, a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation ~~and County~~  
Sequoyah Dist. and that he is personally acquainted with he has heard of  
who is an applicant for citizenship in the Nation. Affiant further states

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That this affiant resided in the old Milwasseo purchase in Tenn for a number of years. That while residing there he became acquainted with with Adkins noe Munn Cherokee Indian family. Affiant further states that he knows full well that the said Nancy Adkins noe Munn was a full blood Cherokee Indian woman, and affiant verily believes that she was a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and of the Cherokee Nation, in the old Cherokee Nation in what is now the State of Tenn.

Affiant further states that they lived res ded with in a few miles of him, and that this affiant remembers well of their removing away to some other portion of the State of Tenn.

Affiant further states that after learning of the facts and circumstances connected with the genealogy of the said Louisa E. Sanders this affiant verily believes that she is a direct lineal descendant of the late Nancy Adkins noe Munn Cherokee Indian family; and that she and her descendants are rightfully and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Louisa E. Sanders for the past years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Louisa E. Sanders he believes the said Louisa Sanders to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of Jan 1896.

Thomas J. Taylor  
NOTARY PUBLIC.  
My commission expires Feb 1899



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

*Robert Muttin* do solemnly swear that on  
day of September, 1904, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to  
Mays, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No.  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained two copies of the  
affidavit of *James M. Muttin*  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on

Nation's No. 2849

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Louisa Sanders*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Louisa Anderson*

Nation's No. *2849*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*Henry A. Munn*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hutchings, McDonald* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

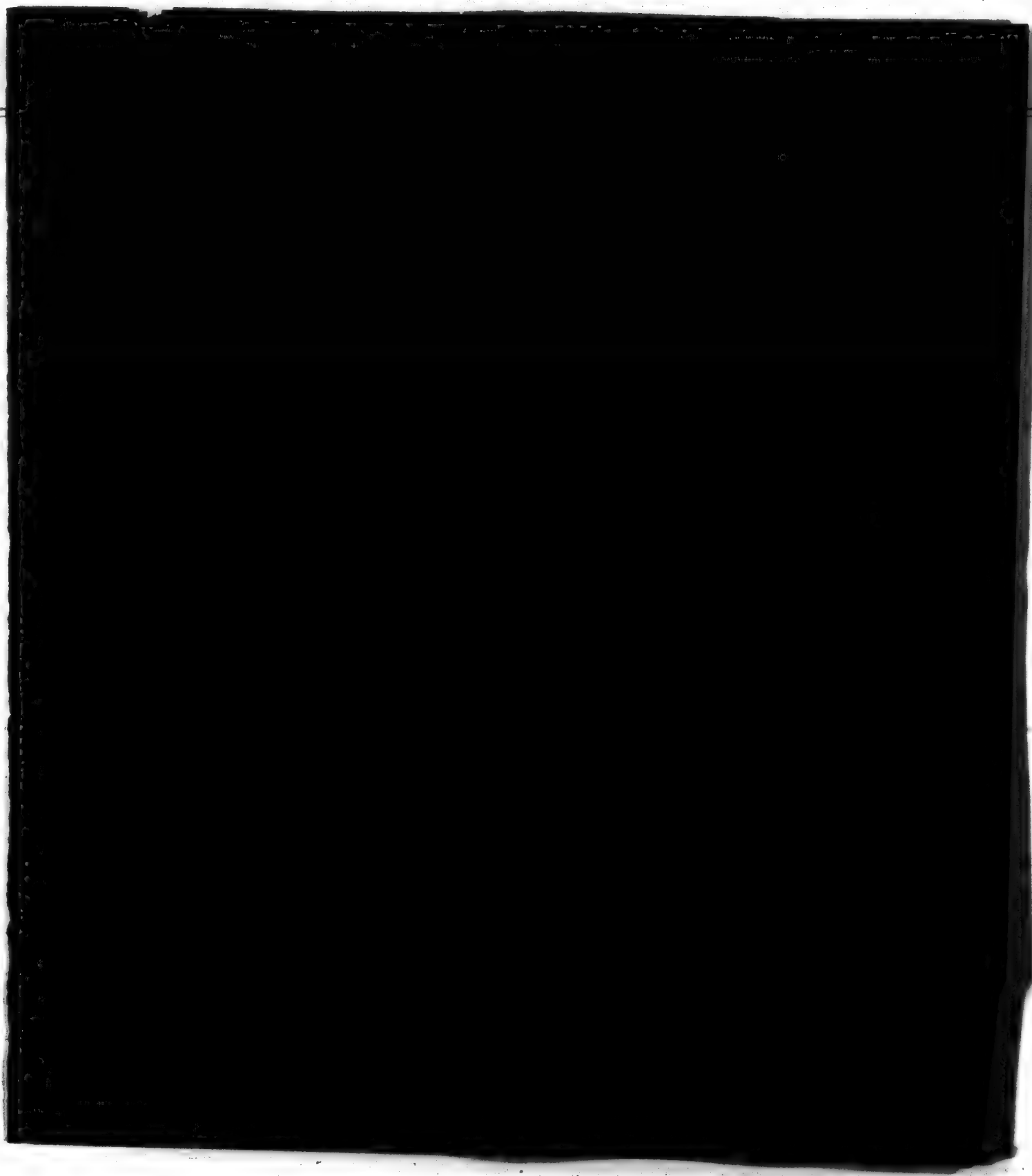
Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Application for Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

Mellie Penneywitt

Et AL,  
PETITIONER,

VS.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

Cherokee.....Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:.....

Your petitioner, Mellie Penneywitt.....states that.....Isabell Summerhill

was.....Cherokee.....Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in

in the old Cherokee Nation in South Carolina.....and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits

and annuities of other.....Cherokee.....Indians by blood in the said Cherokee.....

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said.....Isabell Summerhill.....appears,

or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee.....Indians for the year.....

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said.....Isabell Summerhill.....to-wit:

That the post-office address of your petitioner is Van Buren Ark. That she is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she is the daughter of the late Mr. Evans, who lived in South Carolina, and who was the daughter of the late Isabell Summerhill, and who was residing in the old Cherokee Nation, in South Carolina. That the said Isabell Summerhill lived with and among the Cherokees all of her life, and was a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and of the Cherokee Nation, and who was a Cherokee by blood.

Petitioner intermarried with Harry G. Penneywitt, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living the herein below mentioned children. That said children are of Cherokee blood.

.....That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said.....Cherokee.....Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of

said.....Cherokee.....Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other.....Cherokees.....Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner.....two.....persons, as follows, to-wit:

Bertha May	daughter	and	2	years of age
Bessie Clara		and	2	years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age
		and		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that.....name, with those of

..... her ..... said descendants ..... wit: .....  
**Bertha May and Bessie Clara Penneywitt**

..... herself ..... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other ..... ~~Cherokee~~ ..... Indians, in and to the... **Cherokee** ..... Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

.....  
Attorneys For Petitioners

The aforementioned petitioner... **Mollie B. Penneywitt** ..... says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

*Mollie B. Penneywitt*  
Petitioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *25* day of *August*, 189*6*.  
**My Commission Expires Jan. 8, 1899.** *E. R. Matlock*  
Notary Public

**Application of**

No. ....

— JOB —

Enrollment in ..... Nation

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189*6*

See U. S. Com. Proc. Civ. Tribes

Attorney for Petitioner

.....

Wherefore the petitioner prays that ..... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges and immunities of other ..... Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.



# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF.....Mollie Pennywitt.....  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE.....Cherokee.....NATION.

STATE OF Arkansas }  
COUNTY OF Crawford } SS.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Mathew Wallace.....who, being by me duly sworn states:

That he.....is 57.....years of age, a resident of the State of Arkansas.....and County of Crawford and that he.....is personally acquainted with Mollie Pennywitt.....who is an applicant for citizenship in the.....Cherokee.....Nation. Affiant further states  
(Here set out all circumstances known to affiant touching said ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said Mollie Pennywitt is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Clara Evans, whom this affiant knew well and this affiant knows that she was of Cherokee blood and descent; and that she was the daughter of the late Isbell Evans nee Summerhill. This affiant knew well the said Isbell, and this affiant knows full well that she lived with and among the Cherokees when this affiant first became acquainted with her, and that she has since continued to lived with and among the Cherokees up and until her death. That this affiant knows full well that the said Isbell Summerhill was at least one-half Cherokee blood, and was a recognized citizen of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and of the Cherokee Nation in the State of South Carolina, and that s he enjoyed all of the rights and privileges as such member and citizen.

Affiant further states that he knows that the said Mollie Pennywitt is the identical person that she represents herself to be in her application for Cherokee citizenship; and that she is a direct lineal descendant of the late Isbell Summerhill Cherokee Indian family; and this affiant further states that the said Mollie Pennywitt is rightfully and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of her Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That.....he.....has known the said Mollie Pennywitt.....for the past 25.....years, and knows that.....she.....has been and is recognized by.....him.....as a descendant of the Cherokee Nation, and that.....he.....believes the said.....Mollie Pennywitt.....to be a descendant by blood of the.....Cherokee.....Indian tribe.

*Mathew Wallace*  
Notary Public  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....10th.....day of.....June.....1916.

*(Signature)*  
.....Mollie Pennywitt.....

NOTARY PUBLIC

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 14  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayer, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 972 received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Mellie Pleasant and of the  
affidavit of Charles H. Mullen  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on the 14 day of September, 1896.

W. A. Lester  
Notary Public for Arkansas.

Nation's No. 2834  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

*Mallie Renny mill*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM. R.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Mollie Pennyrite*

Nation's No. *2834*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Joseph Summerhill*

through whom the petitioner claim to derive right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hoelings & Bondurant* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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No. 2485  
IN THE MATTER OF

*Marion Johnson*

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

...FOR...

CITIZENSHIP

In the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*Filed 7 Sept 1896*

*H. M. Jacobway*  
*CLK*

*Replied*

*Joseph P. Muller*  
*[Signature]*

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen.....do solemnly swear that on the 5th  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 370.....received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Marion Johnson.....and of the  
affidavits of Alb Johnson.....  
in support of same. Vester Mullen

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5th day of September, 1896.

State of Arkansas  
County of Sebastian

Mr. H. P. [Signature]  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

Marion Johnson Et. Al.  
PETITIONER,  
VS.  
Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Marion Johnson states that Elizabeth Ross and Joseph Asbill was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation in North Carolina and enjoyed all the rights, privileges,

benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elizabeth Ross and Joseph Asbill appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year

That the petition is a lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Ross and Joseph Asbill to-wit

that the post-office address of your petitioner is Uniontown, Ark. that he is 21 years of age; and the is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-sixteenth Cherokee blood. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his father, Alexander Johnson, who is the son of the late Jally Johnson, who was the daughter of the late Ross Asbill who was a Cherokee by blood, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and who was the son of the late Joseph Asbill and Elizabeth Ross. That they were both members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, in the old Cherokee Nation, in the State of North Carolina, and the said Elizabeth Ross was a full blood Cherokee Indian woman.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner persons, as follows, to-wit:

	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age
	a	and	years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that his name, with those of



said descendants to-wit:

and **himself** be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other **Cherokee** Indians, in and to the **Cherokee** Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever pray, etc.

Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

*state of Ark*  
*County of Crawford* **Marion Johnson** Petitioner.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this **24** day of **Aug** 1896.

**J. B. Wood** Notary Public.  
*Commission Expires Feb 20-97*

APPLICATION OF	Et. Al.	Nation
	FOR	
No.	Enrollment in	Filed on the day of 189
		Sec. U. S. Court, Five Civ. Tribes.
		Attorney for Petitioner.
		CARROLL COUNTY, South West.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Marion Johnson  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Territory  
COUNTY OF Northern Div.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Alexander Johnson who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That he is 52 years of age, a resident of the State of Arkansas and County of Crawford and that he is personally acquainted with Marion Johnson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states.  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said Marion Johnson is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-sixteenth Cherokee blood. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his father, Alexander Johnson, this affiant, who is the son of the late Jaily Johnson, who was the daughter of the late Ross Asbill who was a Cherokee by blood, and a member of the Cherokee tribe of Nation both in the old Cherokee Nation in Tenn., and in the present Cherokee Nation. That the said Ross Asbill was the son of the late Joseph Asbill, who was a half-blood Cherokee, and who was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in North Carolina, and from his mother Elizabeth Asbill nee Ross, who was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and who was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in the old Cherokee Nation in North Carolina.

Affiant further states that he knows that the said Marion Johnson is the identical person that he represents himself to be in his application for Cherokee citizenship; and that he is a direct lineal descendant of the late Joseph Asbill and Elizabeth ~~Asbill~~ Asbill nee ~~Asbill~~ Ross and Ros Asbill Cherokee Indian families; and that the said Marion Johnson is rightfully entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of his Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Marion Johnson for the past 21 years, and knows that he has been and is recognized by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Marion Johnson indicate that he is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Marion Johnson he believes the said Marion Johnson to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Aug 1894.

My commission expires Feb. 18. 94.



Nation's No. 2564

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Marion Johnson

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT 22 1896 ☆

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Marion Johnson*

Nation's No. *2954*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claims to derive..... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
enide, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *21* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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1 #No. 246.  
Case of Adelia T. Rounds  
et al. for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 27, 1896.

H. W. Jernway  
Secy.

9-21-96  
Repealed

Filed by  
Adelia T. Rounds  
Muscogee.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes.  
Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McHarrison,  
Thos. B. Cabanis, and Alexander B. Montgomery,  
United States Commissioners authorized by  
an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear  
and determine claims for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation;

Gentlemen; I herewith submit my  
application for Cherokee citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation Ind. Terr. and evidence to  
establish same.

I derived my Cherokee Indian blood  
from James Randolph who was your  
petitioners Great Grandfather on mothers  
side and whose name (James Randolph)  
should appear on the Cherokee rolls.

My Grandfathers name on fathers side  
(Capt. John Woods) should also appear  
on the "authenticated" roll of 1817.

I beg leave to further say; I have attended  
two Sessions of the Cherokee Council;  
while they could not deny me they would  
not act upon my application and I am  
yet unadmitted; therefore I pray you to  
give my cause due consideration.

Respectfully Submitted  
Adelia T. Rounds.

and from the fact of his knowledge and belief  
that the said person was the author of the same, and that the same was committed to the public domain  
and that the said person was the author of the same, and that the same was committed to the public domain  
and that the said person was the author of the same, and that the same was committed to the public domain

Nation's No. 188  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
In re Application of

Adelia T. Rourke

**Demurrer and Answer.**

Filed Sept 2-96  
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Before the Honorable Commissioners of the General Land Office, at Washington, D.C.  
James C. Armstrong, A. S. Wilkinson, T. B. Cavanaugh, and

Commissioner's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_



In the matter of application of.....

Commission's No. ....

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that:

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Adair, Ex Sec.  
Cherokee Nation.

John L. Rabin

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

No.

PETITION OF

for and on behalf of

and heirs

*Herb and Garland  
and Watts.*

Attorney for Petitioner.

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOS. B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, *Adelia T. Rounds* for and on behalf of *herself, her husband (B. T. Rounds)* and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the

*testimony of Matt Christie, John Ross, Wm A. Lewis, John A. Foy, John M. Fancher, James P. Harris, M. B. Haggard and J. L. May.*

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when *her* —application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Adelia T. Rounds*

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
1 Mary Ellen	27	Daughter
2 Sarah Leon	24	"
3 Ben Frank	15	Son
4 Beverly Tabor	12	"
5 Willis Wood	12	" } Twins
6 Benjamin W.	10	"
7 Mabel Ellen	10	Daughter } Thirbs
8 Lorrinda Lockan	10	"
9 Margaret Adelia	8	"

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this *19* day *August*, 1896

*Adelia T. Rounds*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of August 1896*

My Com. Expires Dec. 18, 98.

*John H. Fisher*  
Notary Public



United States of America,  
Western District of Arkansas. } ss.

Personally appeared this day before  
me William P. Rasmussen, a Commissioner  
of the United States District Court, within  
and for the District aforesaid, Matt  
Christie to me personally well known  
to be entitled to credit before any and  
all the Courts of the Cherokee Nation  
under oath, and who being lay me duly  
sworn according to law, deposes and  
says that he is a bonafide citizen of  
the Cherokee Nation, that his age is  
seventy eight years - that his post office  
address is Wan-hil-lan-Ind. Territory  
that he was born and raised in the  
old Cherokee Nation East of the Miss-  
issippi river - and was well and  
intimately acquainted back there that  
he knew among the many others, the Ran-  
dolph family - Among them James  
Randolph, and among whose children  
was a daughter named Sarah and  
who married a man named Noah  
Haggard to the best of my informa-  
tion - and to the best of my informa-  
tion one of the latter's daughters  
married one John W. Woods

and who is the father of Adelia  
P. Rounds - nee Adelia P. Woods  
and that she is the identical  
person she represents herself  
to be.

Watt <sup>his</sup> Christie  
Mark

Subscribed ~~by~~ Mark and  
sworn to before me at Sable  
quah Ind. Territory this the 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of July A.D. 1893.

Wm. M. Rasmus,  
United States Commissioner



United States of America.  
Western District of Arkansas. 1855.

Personally appeared this day  
before me, William F. Rasmus, a  
Commissioner of the United States  
District Court, within and for the dist-  
rict aforesaid, John Ross to me  
personally well known to be entitled  
to Credit before any and all of the  
Courts of the Cherokee Nation, under  
oath - and who being by me duly  
sworn according to law, deposed and  
says that he is a bonafide citizen of  
the Cherokee Nation by blood - that  
his age is Sixty Eight years - that  
his post office address is Hankins  
Ind. Terr. - and he further states that  
he was born and raised in the Cherokee  
Nation East of the Mississippi  
River - that he was well and intimat-  
ly acquainted back there with many  
of the Cherokee people - and among  
them the Randolph family - the head  
of which was the Randolph and  
among whose children was a daugh-  
ter named Sarah - who married a  
man named Noah Haggard to the  
best of my information - and



to the best of my information  
one of the latter's daughters named  
one John. W. Woods, and who  
is the father of Adelia P. Rounds-  
nee Adelia P. Woods, and that she  
is the identical person she repre-  
sents herself to be.

John W. Woods

Subscribed to by Mark and  
Sworn to before me at Tallahassee,  
Ind. Perry, this 17th day of  
July A.D. 1893.

Wm. H. Rasmussen  
United States Commissioner

On this day personally appeared before  
me Notary Public in and for the Western  
District of Arkansas Wm A Lewis Cherokee  
Indian by blood and says that he is positively  
certain that the said Adelia T Rounds is the  
person she represents herself to be and that  
she has Cherokee Indian blood descending from  
the Randolph family descending from James  
Randolph from Virginia the family emigrating  
from West North Carolina in or about the year  
of 1814. the family living about from  
Chattanooga to Ala. and that I have no  
interest directly nor indirectly.

Wm A Lewis

Done and subscribed before me  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1898  
Notary my hand officially

Thomas A Latta  
Notary Public



The State of Texas .  
The County of Erath.

In the matter of Mrs. Adelia T. Rounds, applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Before me, A.P. Young, a Notary Public in and for Erath County, Texas, on this 19th day of June A.D. 1893, personally appeared, John A. Frey, aged 40....years, a resident of Erath County, Texas, well known to me to be a reputable citizen and entitled to full faith and credit before any of the Courts of the State of Texas, and who being by me duly sworn upon oath declares in regard to the aforesaid case as follows:

~~I have been personally acquainted with the above named applicant, Mrs Adelia T. Rounds, for 10..years.~~

That in the year 1883. the above named applicant .resided in Erath County Texas.

That her name was Nelson before she married B.T. Rounds.

That prior to the time she married Rounds she had three children by Nelson, her first husband.

That at one time she gave birth to two children and that at another time she gave birth to three children.

That the said applicant claimed to be part indian and resembled an indian.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th. day of June A.D. 1893.

Notary Public in and for Erath County, Texas.

...John A. Frey....  
A.P. Young.....

NOTARY'S NUMBER *900000*



State of Alabama }  
County of Shelby }

In the matter of Mrs Adelia T. Rounds  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July A.D.  
1893 personally appeared before me  
John M. Faucher aged 45 years, a resident of  
Montevalle in said County and James G. Harris  
aged 50 years a resident of Shelby County  
Ala. well known to me to be reputable  
and entitled to credit, and who being duly  
sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid  
case as follows:

I have been personally acquainted  
with the applicant Mrs Adelia T. Rounds  
for the past 35 years.

I was also personally acquainted with  
her parents John Wallis Woods and his wife  
Equilla L. Woods also her grandparents  
Rev Noah Haggard and his wife Sarah  
Haggard who claimed to be a descendant  
of James Randolph Johnson. I have  
James G. Harris

Sworn to and subscribed to before me  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 1893

French Nabors  
Notary Public

I think Nabors N.P. do certify that John M. Faucher & James G. Harris  
are creditable persons and entitled to full  
faith and credit before any of the Courts of  
the State of Alabama

Notary Public

The State of Alabama }  
Shelby County }

1 I John S. Leeper <sup>Judge of the Probate</sup> ~~Clerk of County~~ Court in  
2 and for the said County and State, do  
3 certify that French Adams Esq., who hath  
4 signed his name to the foregoing affidavit,  
5 was at the time of so doing a Notary Public  
6 in and for said County  
7 and State duly commissioned and sworn,  
8 that all his official acts are entitled to full  
9 faith and credit, and that his signature  
10 is genuine  
11

12 Witness my hand and seal of office  
13 this 5 day of July 1893

14 John S. Leeper  
15 Clerk of the Judge of Probate  
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State of  
County of

In the matter of Mrs. Adelia T.  
Round for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

On this 20 day of June A. D. 1893 person-  
ally appeared before me M. S. Haggard  
aged 77 years, a resident of Lamer ville  
and well known to me to be reputable  
and entitled to full faith and credit before  
any of the courts of the State of Texas  
and also being duly sworn, declares in  
relation to aforesaid case as follows:

I have been personally acquainted with  
the applicant Mrs. Adelia T. Round for  
the past 40 years and know her to be  
the person representing herself to be in her  
application for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation.

Witness  
my hand and seal  
this 20 day of June 1893

M. S. Haggard

Sworn to and subscribed to before me  
this 20 day of June 1893

Officer  
Notary Public  
C. C. Co. Texas



Affidavit of  
Mr. J. L. May, of  
Stephensville, Texas

In proof of family  
of Mrs. A. J. H. H. H.  
Hunt Gibson, Ind. Tex.

Notary Fee 50¢

State of Texas

County of Erath } Before me, F. R. Young  
a Notary Public, in and for said County  
on this day personally appeared J. L. May  
a practising Physician of the City of Steph-  
ville, which has been his profession here for  
many years, who being by me duly sworn  
on oath states that he knew Mrs A. J. Rounds  
when she was Mrs Nelson, and that by her  
marriage with B. J. Nelson, she was the mo-  
ther of 3 children named respectively Mary  
E., Sarah Leon & Ben Frank. that he also  
knew said Mrs. Rounds when she was widow  
Nelson, before her marriage with B. J. Rounds.  
After her marriage to B. J. Rounds, he was her  
attending Physician, at the birth of her twin  
boys on the 13th of August 1884, that she gave  
birth to triplets, in 1887. 1 boy & 2 girls, also to  
1 girl in 1889. That in speaking of herself  
she always claimed and acknowledged  
the Indian Blood, and that he has been  
acquainted with her so long that he knows  
her to be the person she represents herself  
to be.

J. L. May M.D.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
20th day of June A. D. 1893.

Witness my hand and seal of office the  
day and date above written

F. R. Young, Notary Public  
Erath County Texas



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. January 9th, 1894.

Mrs. Adelia T. Rounds.

Cheska, Ind. Ter.

Herewith I have the pleasure to return to you the papers  
submitted to the National Council for citizen rights in this nation.

Respectfully,

*L. J. Harris*  
Principal Chief.

Indian Territory. Northern District S. S.

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August personally appeared be-  
fore me a Notary Public, within and for the District and  
Territory aforesaid, Adelia T. Rounds who after being  
duly sworn says that she has this day mailed  
a copy of the foregoing application and evidence  
to the Hon. S. H. Mayes, at Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.

Adelia T. Rounds.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1896

*John E. Seiber*

Notary Public.

My Com. Expires Dec. 18, '98.



**End**

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Nation's No.

2994

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Sallie J. Moody  
et al.

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 8 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Salie J. Moser et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2994*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Brakey Walker* through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hawkins, Hilditch & Bonnell* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the *25* day of *Sept* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

State of North Carolina Graham County  
This day personally appeared before me  
J. B. Phillips a Justice of the Peace, Sarah -  
Lutheeny Moody - who after being by me  
duly sworn deposed and saitheth on her  
said oath, that she is thirty five years  
old past, and that she is <sup>the</sup> daughter of Elizabeth  
Shields who was the daughter of John -  
Maney who is the Grand Father of this  
Affiant, and that her Ancestors on the  
Maney side have always claimed  
that they belonged to the Cherokee  
Indians & had Indian blood in them;  
and that her Grandfather John Maney's  
name is on the <sup>he has by reservation claim</sup> ~~Maney~~ <sup>Roll</sup> as Affiant  
is informed and believed and that she  
has one brother ~~James~~ William Henry  
Andrews, who is a full brother her mother  
having been married twice first to  
Capt. Andrews the father of this Affiant & her  
brother ~~Wm~~ Henry Andrews this being all



The Children now living of Kyziah Phillips  
Affiant names is The Sweetland Role and  
The Hester Role also is brother Henry Anderson  
name on said roles.

Aug 17<sup>th</sup> 1896

Sarah L Moody

Sworn to and

Subscribed this Augt

17<sup>th</sup> 1896

N. H. Phillips

North Carolina - Graham County;  
I, J. A. Carpenter, Clerk Superior Court,  
of the County of Graham and State  
of North Carolina, hereby certify that  
N. H. Phillips, before whom the forego-  
ing affidavit was made, is and was  
at the date thereof, an acting Justice  
of the Peace for said County, duly  
Commissioned and entitled to administer  
oaths. Witness my hand and seal  
of said office, at Office in Rob-  
binsville, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. 1896.

J. A. Carpenter

Clerk Superior Court.



Affidavit of  
Patience Colva

State of North Carolina  
Graham County }

This day personally appeared Before me  
W. H. McLean a Justice of The Peace Patton  
S. Colvard Who after being by me duly  
sworn solemnly and truthfully on his said  
Oath that he has well acquainted with  
Kiziah Shields the wife Andrew J. Shields  
and that <sup>she is the daughter of John Moody</sup> I further say that Sarah Luthany  
Moody is the daughter of Kiziah Shields  
and that my information has always  
been that there is more or less Indian  
blood in the Moody Family  
August 20 1896 Patton S. Colvard  
sworn to and subscribed before me this  
August the 20 1896

W. H. McLean Justice of Peace

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North Carolina,

Graham County,

I, J. A. Carpenter, Clerk Superior Court,  
for Graham County, State of North  
Carolina, do hereby certify that W. H.  
McLean, before whom the foregoing  
affidavit was made, is and was at  
the date thereof an acting Justice  
of the Peace in and for said County  
and State, duly commissioned and  
authorized to administer oaths, and  
that all his official acts are entitled  
to credit,

Witness my hand and seal of said  
office, at office in Robbinsville

This the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1896,

J. A. Carpenter  
Clerk Superior Court



Affidavits of  
Martha Jordan  
&  
S L Moody

In matter of S. L. Moody  
claim 70.

State of North Carolina Graham County  
This day personally Appeared before me  
St. J. Philips a Justice of the Peace Martha  
Jordan -- (who after being by me  
duly sworn, deposed and sworn on the  
said Oath, That she has been well acquaint-  
ed with Elizabeth Shields the wife Andrew  
J. Shields and that she was the daughter of  
John Maney or (Maney) and that she was  
the wife of Andrew J. Shields, and I further say that  
Sarah Lutheney Moody is the daughter of  
Elizabeth Shields, and that my information  
has always been that there is more or less  
Indian blood in the Maney family  
Augt 17<sup>th</sup> 1896

Sworn to and Subscribed Martha Jordan  
before me this Augt 17<sup>th</sup> 1896  
St. J. Philips Justice  
of the Peace

North Carolina - Graham County;  
I, J. A. Carpenter, Clerk Superior Court  
of the County of Graham and State of  
North Carolina, hereby certify that  
N. G. Philips, before whom the forego-  
ing affidavit was made, is and was  
at the date thereof, an acting Justice  
of the Peace for said County; duly  
Commissioned and entitled to administer  
oaths. Witness my hand and  
seal of said office, at office in  
Robbinsville, North Carolina, this  
the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1896.

J. A. Carpenter,  
Clerk Superior Court.



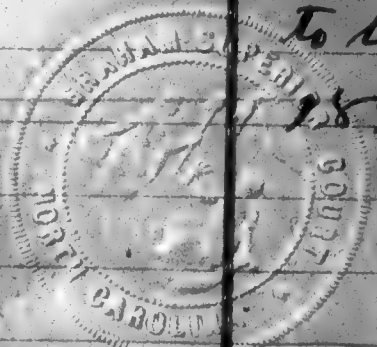
To the Hon. Henry L. Dawes  
and others composing the Com-  
mission to the Five Civilized  
Tribes:

Your petitioner Sarah  
Leuthana Moody, would state  
and show from the proof submitted  
to the Commission that she is a  
Cherokee by decent and by blood  
having been <sup>born</sup> in Macon County, State  
of North Carolina on 27<sup>th</sup> day of  
May, 1861. ~~My~~ My father's name  
was George Washington Andrews.  
My mother's name was Kisciah  
Shields (getting the name of Shields from  
a second marriage) that I now reside  
in Robbinsville, Graham County,  
North Carolina, and have resided  
there 18 years and she avers these  
facts can be established by proof  
to the satisfaction of the Commission  
under such rules and regulations  
as it may prescribe and she further  
avers, that these facts being proved  
she is entitled to be adjudged under  
the laws of the United States and the  
Treaties of the United States  
and the Treaties of such Nation  
with the United States.

of such Nation, with all the rights  
privileges and protection of citizen-  
ship in such Nation. Wherefore she  
herewith respectfully submit to the  
Consideration of the Honorable  
Commission such proof and on  
the hearing she be adjudged entitled  
to such citizenship and her name  
be placed upon the proper roll as  
a citizen of such Nation  
Sarah L. Moody

State of North Carolina } ss.  
County of Graham, }

Now on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of Aug.  
1896, personally appeared before me  
J. A. Carpenter, Clerk Superior Court  
of said County, and State,  
Sarah L. Moody, who  
being duly sworn upon her oath  
states ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> the facts set forth  
in the foregoing petition are correct  
and true. Subscribed and sworn  
to before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of Aug.  
1896.



J. A. Carpenter  
Clerk Superior Court



Application for Enrollment.  
To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank  
C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKimmon,  
Thos. B. Coker, and Alex. B. Montgomery,  
United States Commissioners, authorized  
by an Act of Congress of June 4,  
1896, to hear and determine claims for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:  
Gentlemen: The undersigned, your  
petitioner, Sarah Lienthena Moody  
for and on behalf of herself and  
Husband Wm E. and children, Ida  
Magnolia and George Henry, and  
John Melgoy, and Martha Jane and  
Charley Leander, and Donald Wilson,  
and heirs, this day makes this their appli-  
cation to you for the purpose of  
being placed on the revised roll of  
Cherokee Indians and of those entitled  
to share in the distribution of funds  
and allotments of land in Cherokee  
Nation by virtue of their Cherokee  
blood, and I herewith submit the  
affidavits of James H. Mandy, Martha  
Jordan and Peyton Colvard, in  
support of said claim and respectfully  
await the time when this application  
shall be heard and tried.  
Respectfully submitted, Sarah L. Moody



Enrollment of family with relationship  
attached as follows:

Names.	Age.	Relationship
Sarah Leithena Moody	35	Self.
Wm E. Moody	32	Husband.
Ida Magnolia	9.	daughter
George Henry	8	Son.
John Melzey	6	Son.
Martha Jane	4	daughter.
Charles Lander	2	Son.
Donald Wilson	7 mos.	Son.

In witness of which I hereunto  
set my hand on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
August, 1896, Sarah L Moody

Chapter 268  
Petition  
Susan & Mary  
for their heirs

Chenka Nation

Filed 8 Sept 1876

Wm H. [unclear]

[Signature]

North Carolina - Graham County.

This day personally appeared before me ~~J. A.~~ J. A. Carpenter, Clerk Superior Court, of said County and State, James H. Maney, who being duly sworn says:

That he is well acquainted with Sarah Lieuthenia Moody, and have known her ever since her birth. That she is the wife of Wm E. Moody, That she is the daughter of Kisiah Shields who was the daughter of John Maney, and granddaughter of Martin Maney who married Kisiah Van, a Cherokee. That she is of Cherokee descent. That she is the wife of Wm E. Moody and the mother of Ida Magnolia and George Henry and John Melzey and Martha Jane and Charley Leander and Donald Wilson.

James H. Maney  
his mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> 1896

J. A. Carpenter  
Clerk Superior Court



**End**

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Tahlequah I. T.

Sept 7 1896

Personally appeared before  
me S. S. Boyle a Notary  
Public duly authorized  
to administer oath

Howe L Rogers  
age 28 years states that on  
the 5th day of Sept 1896  
that he in person delivered  
to W. W. Hastings atty for the  
Cherokee Nation ~~the~~ a true  
and certified copy of  
the ~~papers~~ citizenship  
papers in the case of  
Sarah Wilkerson consisting  
of one application and  
two affidavits both Hastings  
& the Chief refused to  
Receipt for same.

Howe L Rogers  
subscribed & sworn to before  
me this 7th day of September 1896  
S. S. Boyle Notary Public  
Northern District of T.

Commission Expires July 19th, 1898.



To The Honorable  
Dawes Commission

Quinta Ind. T. Y.

Relative to The Citizenship  
Claim of Sarah Wilderson

I refer you to the Rolls of  
1835 on which the name of  
Andrew Kell should appear  
The Testimony of John Rose  
states that he knew

Andrew Kell and that he was  
a Cherokee Indian it also  
shows that he knew Wm Kell  
the son of Andrew Kell

The Testimony of the Applicant  
Sarah Wilderson shows that  
she is the Grand Daughter of  
Andrew Kell and on the above  
statement of facts she asks  
for admission to Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation

H. L. Rogers atty. for  
applicant

Sallisaw P. O.

August 28 1896

This day personally appeared  
before me H. L. Rogers a  
Notary Public - Sarah Wilkerson  
(nee Kell) who stated on oath  
~~that~~ that she is the  
daughter of William Kell  
& that William Kell was  
a son of Andrew Kell  
& the said Andrew Kell  
was a Cherokee Indian  
& his name appears on  
the Roll of 1835 of the red  
Cherokee Indians & on the  
above stated facts she  
ask for admission to  
citizenship in the  
Cherokee nation

Signed

Subscribed & sworn Sarah Wilkerson  
to before me this H. L. Rogers  
28 day of August 1896 Notary Public

my com expires  
Nov 22 1899

Callisaw I. F.

August 28 1896

This day personally appeared  
before me a Notary Public  
John Ross to me well known  
who on oath states that he was  
acquainted with Andrew Kell  
North Carolina on Peach Tree  
Creek he further states that  
he was a Cherokee Indian he  
had a son name William & from  
the statement of Sarah A.  
Wilkinson I do identify her  
as the daughter of the said  
William Kell & she is entitled  
to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation

Signed John <sup>his</sup> Ross  
witness M. A. Stevenson <sup>maise</sup>

Subscribed & sworn to before  
me this 28 of August 1896

H. L. Rogers

Notary Public  
My com expires Nov 22 1899



No. ~~9548~~ 269

PETITION OF

*Sarah A. Wickerson*  
for and on behalf of

*herself*  
and heirs

*Cherokee Nation*

FILED SEPT 8 1896

A. S. M. H.

COM'Y

*Rejected*

*Consent and*  
Attorney for Petitioner

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, Sarah A. Wilkerson  
for and on behalf of herself  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the following Affidavits

In support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.  
Respectfully submitted

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
Andrew Wilkerson	46	Grand son in law of Andrew Kell
Sarah A. Wilkerson	43	Grand daughter of Andrew Kell
Lucinda	22	Great Grand daughter of Andrew Kell
William	20	Son
Laura	18	Daughter
Jefferson	12	Son
Eliza	7	Daughter
Eliza A.	6	Daughter



Subscribed & sworn to

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 28 day of August 1896.  
my com expires  
Nov 22 1899  
H. L. Rogers  
Notary Public

Nation's No. 844.

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Sarah A Wilkerson, et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 26 1896

A. S. MCKENNOT

COM'Y



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
Sarah A. Wilkerson, et al.

Nation's No. 849.

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicants are  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that Andrew Kell

through whom the petitioner claims to derive their right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot.

Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

17th day of Sept. 1896.

D. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I J.P. Austin

do solemnly swear that I did on this 4 day of September 1896

deliver to Nash Kermine Acting Chief

of the Cherokee Nation, of his office in the Town of Tahlequah,

a true copy of the within application of Rachel  
W. Keadon et al and affords

hereto attached

J.P. Austin

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of Sept 1896

M. L. Wainwright

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires Jan 3rd 1900

# APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:-

YOUR PETITIONER, Rachel A. Higdon, for her self and for other members of her family mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen states:

That she is the daughter of one Jelpha Greeland and the said Jelpha Greeland is the daughter and the said \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of one George Campbell;

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of the petitioner, was Cherokee Indian by blood, and was duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of W Indians and that from said ancestor petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory;

~~That the name~~ That the name of said Indian ancestors should be found on the rolls taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852;

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of Nov, A. D. 1894, application was made by her to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof and to the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities;

Your petitioner further says that she has always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation and subject to its laws and usages and to assume her portion of the burdens of government.

The age of your petitioner is 55 years. Her post office is Tahlequah, in the state of Ind Per, and her family by virtue of their Cherokee blood consist of the following named persons:

Minnie Caroline Higdon (daughter) age 21 years and \_\_\_\_\_;

Martha Evelyn Higdon (daughter) age 14 years \_\_\_\_\_;

Wherefore your petitioner prays that she and her said descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Rachel A. Higdon

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This the 28th day of July, A. D. 1894  
J. L. Haslam  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires Jan Feb 1900.

APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES, Authorized to hear  
and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee nation:

Your petitioner, Margaret Townsend for  
her self and for other members of her family mentioned below,  
applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:-

That she is the daughter of one Rachel A. Higdon  
and the said Rachel A. Higdon is the daughter of Belleha Freeland  
and the said Belleha Freeland is the daughter of one  
George Campbell.

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of  
the petitioner, was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and was duly  
acknowledged member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians, and that she  
from said ancestors petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling  
him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory;

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the  
-----day of November, A.D. 1892, application was made by her

to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for  
admission as a citizen thereof and to the rights, benefits, and  
privileges appertaining there to, which application was refused or  
not acted upon by said authorities;

Your petitioner says he has  
always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and  
citizen of said Nation subject to its laws and usages and to assume  
her portions of the burdens of the Government.

The age of your petitioner is 34 years. Her post office is Indian Valley  
in the Cavalry District, and her family by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood consists of the following named persons,-----  
James H. Townsend age 3 years, Wm. A. Townsend age 2 years,  
Miss B. Townsend age 4 years and Marta B. Townsend 2 yrs.

Whereof your petitioner prays that her and her son is  
descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of May, 1892.

Margaret Townsend  
J. B. McArthur  
Public William B. Byas



# APPLICATION.

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TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

YOUR PETITIONER, Joseph H. Higdon, for himself, and for other members of his family mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:

That he is the son of one Rachel A. Higdon; and the said Rachel A. Higdon is the daughter of one Gelphie Freeland; and the said Gelphie Freeland is the daughter of one George Campbell;

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of the petitioner, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and was a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and that from the said ancestor petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory;

That the names of said Indian ancestor should be found on the roll taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852;

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the 10th day of Nov., A. D. 1893, application was made by him to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof, and to the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities;

Your petitioner further says that he has always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of the Cherokee Nation and subject to its laws and usages and to assume his portion of its burden of government.

The age of your petitioner is 27 years. His post office is Wahle quah, in the state of Ind. Ter., and his family by virtue of their Cherokee blood consist of the following named persons:

James W. Higdon age 4 years. Joseph D. Higdon age 3 years, AND Robert L. Higdon age 1 year

Wherefore your petitioner prays that he and his said descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Joseph H. Higdon

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This the 30th day of July A. D. 1898

W. D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900

APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:-

YOUR PETITIONER, Joseph H. Higdon, for himself and for other members of his family mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen states:

That he is the son of one Rachel A. Higdon and the said Rachel A. Higdon is the daughter of Belpha Freeland and the said Belpha Freeland is the daughter of one George Campbell;

That the said George Campbell ancestor of the petitioner, was Cherokee Indian by blood, and was duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of M. Indians and that from said ancestors petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory;

That the names of said Indian ancestors should be found on the rolls taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852;

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the Nov day of Nov, A. D. 1894, application was made by him to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof and to the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities;

Your petitioner further says that he has always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation and subject to its laws and usages and to assume his portion of the burdens of government.

The age of your petitioner is 24 years. His post office is Tahlequah

by virtue of their Cherokee blood consist of the following named persons

Martha J. Higdon age 8 years; Viola H. Higdon age 3 years;  
Mary E. Higdon age 7 years; Jesse H. Higdon 2 years;  
James H. Higdon age 5 years;

Therefore your petitioner prays that he and his said descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Joseph H. Higdon

Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this the 28th day of July A. D. 1894

W. D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900.



APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:-

Your petitioner, Sarah J. Parker, for her self and for other members of her family mentioned below, applying for <sup>re-admission and</sup> enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:

That she Sarah J. Parker, is the daughter of one Rachel A. Higdon, and the said Rachel A. Higdon <sup>was the</sup> daughter of Belfha Freeland; and the said Belfha Freeland <sup>is the</sup> daughter of one George Campbell;

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of the petitioner, were Cherokee Indians by blood and were duly acknowledged members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and that from said ancestors, petitioner derived Cherokee blood, intitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory.

That the names of his said Indian ancestors should be found on the Census Rolls taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852.

Your petitioner further states, that on or about the day of Nov A. D. 1899, application was made by her to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as citizens thereof, and the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which was refused or not acted upon by said authorities.

Your petitioner says that he always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation and subject to its laws and usages, and to assume his portion of its burdens of government.

The age of your petitioner is 28 years; and her post office is Minden and his family by virtue of their

Cherokee blood consists of the following named persons:-  
Perline <sup>daughter</sup> age 5 Minnie <sup>daughter</sup> age 2 Ann <sup>daughter</sup> age 6

Therefore prays that he and his said family be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.  
Sarah J. Parker

The State of Texas } Before me J. C. Alexander  
County of Rush } Notary Public in and for  
Rush County Texas

personally appeared Sarah J. Parker;  
Who after being Sworn says that the  
above statements are true, So

Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this the 6 day of August A.D. 1896  
J. C. Alexander  
Notary Public Rush Co. Tex.



United States of America }  
Northern District Ind Ter }

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Rachel A. Higdon well known to me to be of good reputation for truth and moral character who after being by me duly sworn says, my name is Rachel A. Higdon my age is 65 years my last office is Tahlequah Ind Ter. I am acquainted with Joseph H. and Jesse J. Higdon and Mrs. Sarah J. Parker they are my children and are Cherokee Indians by blood deriving their Indian blood from me and I derived my Indian blood from my mother Gelpha Ireland who derived her Indian blood from her father George Campbell who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians and was so recognized  
Rachel A. Higdon

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 10th day of August A.D. 1896

W. D. Wabben  
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan Feb 1900

United States of America  
Northern District Ind Ter

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Sallie E. Newton who after being by me duly sworn says upon her oath: My name is Sallie E. Newton. My age is 57 years my Post-office is Tahlequah I.T. I have lived in the Cherokee Nation about eighteen years. I am well acquainted with Rachel A. Higdon. I have known her ever since we were children. She had a sister named Caroline and a sister named Artamisa. Their father's name was ~~James~~ <sup>James</sup> Ireland and their mother's name was Felfha Ireland her maiden name was Campbell. She was the daughter of George Campbell. I also know Annie C. Ireland her maiden name was Campbell. She was the sister of Felfha Ireland. She married Jeremiah Ireland. Caroline Ireland sister of the said Rachel A. Higdon married Samuel Baller. She was the mother of several children. She is now dead.

(attest)

Sallie E. <sup>her</sup> Newton  
mark

Joe Higdon.

Pattie Warson

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This the 2d day of August A.D. 1896

W.D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900





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State of Texas }  
 County of Lampasas } Personally appeared  
 before me Geo. J. Benson a J. P. and  
 ex-officio N.P. in and for Lampasas Co Texas  
 Doctor B. J. Crumley who is known  
 to me to be of good character and  
 of veracity and makes the following  
 statement I know George Campbell  
 who was Cherokee Indian by blood  
 I have known him ever since 1838.  
 he was a good honest and truthful  
 man I know R. A. Higdon who I  
 believe to be a grand daughter of  
 George Campbell's I know J. H. and  
 J. J. Higdon who I believe to be  
 children of R. A. Higdon and great  
 grand children of George Campbell  
 and I believe them to be Cherokee  
 Indian by blood they now live at  
 Center City Texas I am 66 years old  
 as Indians did not know our ages  
 in them days I live in Lampasas  
 County Texas This Oct. 21st  
 A.D. 1893

B. J. Crumley

Subscribed and sworn to before  
 the undersigned authority this 21st day of  
 Oct. 1893 Geo. J. Benson a J. P. and  
 ex-officio N.P. Lampasas Co Texas



# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America  
Northern District  
Indian Territory

ss.

In the case of Rachel A. Nigdon claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. D. Watson  
Notary Public within and for the Cherokee Nation aforementioned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths Phillip T. Johnson to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Phillip T. Johnson; my age is 40  
years: My post-office address is Tahlequah, A. T.

I am a citizen of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory by occupation;

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am well acquainted with Rachel A. Nigdon  
her maiden was Freeland she was the  
daughter of Howell E. and Jelfha Freeland  
both of whom I was well acquainted with  
the said Jelfha was a Campbell before she  
married Howell E. Freeland I also knew  
Anna L. Freeland her maiden name Campbell  
she married Jeremiah Freeland.  
I have no interest in this case.  
I knew the above named parties in East  
Tennessee. The said Jelfha Freeland had  
one daughter named Caroline she married  
Samuel Ballew and one named Britanna  
she married a man named Watts.

Phillip T. Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 18th day of August A. D. 1896

W. D. Watson  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires Jan 3rd 1900

STATE OF TENNESSEE,  
POLK COUNTY.

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in Duck Town, Polk County, Tennessee, aged 82 years, a resident of follows; to-wit:- That Rachel A. Higdon who married J. H. Higdon is my daughter. They were married some one or two years before the late war at Duck Town, Tennessee.

That several children were born to them, and that affiant caint recollect their names. However, he does remember that the oldest child was named Joseph. Affiant further states, that his daughter, Rachel A. Higdon, nee Freeland, was also the daughter of Zelpha Freeland who was the daughter of George Campbell.

Affiant further states, that he was personally acquainted with George Campbell before his death, and it was generally understood and so recognized by all who knew him that he was part Cherokee Indian. His looks, hair and featyres indicated to affiant that he was part Indian, as affiant had lived among the Cherokee Indians for a goodly number of years.

Affiant further states, that Artemisa Sutton, who first married William Watts, some two children was born to them when William Watts died during the late war. Joseph H. Watts was the oldest child, and Josephine, who is now dead, was the youngest.

Affiant further states, that Artemisa Sutton, nee Freeland, was the daughter of Zelpha Freeland who was the daughter of George Campbell aforesaid.

Affiant states, that his daughter Caroline Ballew, nee Freeland, married Samuel Ballew, and several children was born to them. The oldest was named William, the next was named Zelpha, who is now dead, the balance of the children's names I cant now call to memory to be positive.

That my daughter Caroline, aforesaid, is the daughter of Zelpha Freeland, who was the daughter of George Campbell aforesaid.

Affiant's means of knowing the facts, of which he has testified, is by being personally acquainted with all the parties, as above stated

H. E. FREELAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 3rd day of October, 1894. And I certify that affiant is a credible person, and entitled to full faith and credit on oath, and so reputed by his neighbors.

G. H. Nyatt

Notary Public.

United States of America  
Northern District Indian Ter.

W. D. Masson a Notary Public  
in and for said County

I hereby Certify that the foregoing is true and  
perfect copy of an Affidavit made before  
G. H. Nyatt on the 3rd day of October 1894  
and duly sworn to by Rachel A. Higdon  
Given under my hand this 31 day of August 1894

W. D. Masson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900.



Petition of No 1074 270  
Rachel A. Higdon  
Joe H. Higdon  
Hessie J. Higdon  
Sarah J. Parker and  
Margaret J. Townsend  
for Cherokee Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, D. C.

Filed Sept 7-1894.

A. S. McPherson  
Clerk

~~All~~  
~~Rejected~~

W. B. Watson

Attorney for  
Petitioners  
Pahlgren & Co.



United States of America }  
Northern District of Texas } Before me the  
undersigned

authority personally appeared  
Anna C. Freeland who after being  
by me duly sworn say, <sup>that</sup> my name is  
Annie C. Freeland, my age, 84 years  
My Post office is Valverde, N. M.  
I am acquainted with Rachel A. Higdon  
She is the daughter of Zelfha Freeland dec.  
The said Zelfha Freeland was my sister  
we were the daughters of George Campbell  
a Cherokee Indian we were born and  
raised in the old Cherokee Nation East  
Now East Tennessee and Rachel A. Higdon  
and her sister Caroline Ballew was  
also raised in East Tennessee near  
Duck Town. Rachel A. Higdon has  
six children Joe V. F. J. Higdon  
Minnie F. Erie Higdon Sarah J. Parker.  
One Higdon and Margaret J. Townsend  
one Higdon, the children of Caroline Ballew one  
Freeland. are Mrs. J. Ballew Samuel Gains  
Ballew Marion M. Ballew and Mary R.  
Brewer My sister Zelfha married Howell C.  
Freeland and I married Jeremiah Freeland her  
brother

Jos. H. Higdon  
Belle Watson

Anna C. Freeland  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
the 24 day of August A. D. 1896

W. O. Watson  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan. 3rd 1900



Nation's No. 704

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Rachel A. Higdon*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 25 1896. \*

\*A. S. McKENNON\*

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Rachel A. Hegdon*

Nation's No. *704*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

\_\_\_\_\_ through whom the petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ claiming to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Stetings Hastings* *Boudin* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *16th* day of *Sept.*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**

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Indian Territory,  
Northern District..

I

J. P. Buster

do solemnly

swear that I did on this 4 day of September 1896 deliver to Hon. Mr. H. W. Nash <sup>Sumner acting</sup>  
~~Mayor~~ <sup>Principal</sup> Chief of the Cherokee Nation, of his office in the Town  
of Tahlequah, a true copy of the within application of Mary

R. Brown & Co and affidavits of  
hereto attached

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hereto attached.

J. P. Buster

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of Sept 1896

M. W. Watson

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires Jan 3rd 1900



**SECRET**

YOUR PETITIONER, Wm. K. Brewer, for her self, and for other members of her family mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of the petitioner, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and was a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and that from the said ancestor petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory;

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 18\_\_\_\_, application was made by \_\_\_\_\_ to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof, and to the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities;

The age of your petitioner is 22 years. Her post office is Tahle-  
quah, in the state of Ind. Ter., and M family by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood consist of the following named persons:

The age of your petitioner is 22 years. Her post office is Tahle-  
quah, in the state of Kud. Ter., and 1 family by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood consist of the following named persons:

\_\_\_\_\_, AND \_\_\_\_\_;

Wherefore your ~~xx~~ petitioner prays that he and his said descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Mary R. Bonser

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 30th day of July A. D. 1896

Thos. J. Hall & Co.  
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900

APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:-

Your petitioner, William J. Baller, for himself and for other members of his family mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:

That he William J. Baller, is the son of one Caroline Baller, and the said Caroline Baller was the daughter of Gelphe Ireland and the said Gelphe Ireland was the daughter of George Campbell

That the said George Campbell, ancestor of the petitioner, is Cherokee Indians by blood and was duly acknowledged members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and that from said ancestors, petitioner derived Cherokee blood, intitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory.

That the names of his said Indian ancestors should be found on the Census Rolls taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852.

Your petitioner further states, that on or about the    day of Nov A. D. 1894, application was made by him to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as citizens thereof, and the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which was refused or not acted upon by said authorities.

Your petitioner says that he always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation and subject to its laws and usages, and to assume his portion of its burdens of government.

The age of your petitioner is 29 years; and his post office is Lookston Ind. Ter. and his family by virtue of their Cherokee blood consists of the following named persons:--

Samuel Gains Baller a brother of  
Your petitioner under the age of 21 years

Therefore petitioner prays that he and his said brother be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

W. J. Baller



Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this the 27th day of July A. D. 1894

W. D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900

APPLICATION.

To The Honorable Commission to the Five Tribes, authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in Cherokee Nation:

Your petitioner, Marion M. Ballen for himself, and for other members of \_\_\_\_\_ family, mentioned below, applying for enrollment as Cherokee citizens, states:

That he is the son of one Caroline Ballen and the said Caroline Ballen is the daughter of Selpha Greenland and the said Selpha Greenland is the daughter of George Campbell. The said George Campbell, ancestor of petitioner

was Cherokee Indian by blood, and was duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and that from said ancestor petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory:

That the names of said Indian ancestors should be found on the rolls taken and made by the Cherokee Nation in 1835, 1840, 1851, and 1852.

Your petitioner further states that upon or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D. 18\_\_\_\_, application was made by petitioner to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof, and to the rights, benefits, and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities:

Your petitioner further says that he has always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation and subject to its laws and usages and to assume his portion of the burdens of government.

The age of your petitioner is 25 years; his post office is Cockson Ind. Ter.; and his \_\_\_\_\_ family, by virtue of their Cherokee blood, consist of the following named persons: \_\_\_\_\_

Wherefore your petitioner prays that he and his \_\_\_\_\_ said descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens.

Marion M. Ballen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of August, A.D. 1896.

M. D. Watson

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900



Application of  
William B. Ballen  
for Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation

United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Ter. }

Before me the undersigned Authority personally appeared Henry C. Ireland and Rachel A. Higgins who after being by me duly sworn says upon their oath that they reside in the Cherokee Nation Ind. Ter. That Rachel A. Higgins is 55 years old and Henry C. Ireland is 45 years old. That they are acquainted with William J. Ballou and his minor brother Samuel Gains Ballou and have known them all their lives and that the said William J. Ballou and Samuel Gains Ballou are the sons of Caroline and Samuel Ballou both deceased; That the said Caroline Ballou was the daughter of Zephra Ireland and the grand daughter of George Campbell who was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians and whose name appears upon the Rolls of the Cherokee Indians made in the year 1835. That the said William J. and Samuel Gains Ballou are Nephews of Affiant; That Affiant has no interest in this action further than that Justice may be done.

H. C. Ireland

Rachel A. Higgins

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
That the 28 day of July A. D. 1894

W. D. Mason

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900



United States of America

North District Ind. Per.

Before me the

undersigned authority

personally appeared Sallie E. Newton who

after being by me duly sworn depose that

My name is Sallie E. Newton and

aged 52 years, my Post-office is

Shelburne, I. D. I have lived in the Cherokee

Nation about eighteen years. I am well

acquainted with Rachel A. Higdon I have

known her ever since we were children

she had a sister named Caroline and a sister

named Artamira. Their father's name was

Samuel C. Freedland and their mother's name

was Zella Freedland, her maiden name

was Campbell she was the daughter of

George Campbell I also knew Anna C.

Freedland her maiden name was Campbell she

was the sister of Zella Freedland she married

Jeremiah Freedland. Caroline Freedland sister

of the said Rachel A. Higdon married Samuel

Dallen she was the mother of several children

she is now dead

(Attest)

Sallie E. Newton

Jos. H. Higdon,

Beth Watson,

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 2nd day of August A.D. 1896

W.D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan 3, 1900.

United States of America

North District Ind. Per.

W.D. Watson

The said District do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the foregoing deposition as the same appears from the records of the said District.



Instrument is a true and perfect copy of an Affidavit  
made before me on 22 day of August A.D. 1896  
by Sallie O Newton

Given under my hand and seal of office  
this the 31 day of August 1896

W. D. Watson

Notary Public

My Commission Expires June 3rd 1897

United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Ter.)

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Rachel A. Higdon who after being by me duly sworn says upon her oath that; my name is Rachel A. Higdon my post-office is Nohleguah, O. T. My age is 55 years I am well acquainted with Marion M. Ballew he is the son of Caroline Ballew and the said Caroline Ballew is the daughter of Gelfha Freeland and the said Gelfha Freeland was the daughter of George Campbell who was a Cherokee Indian and a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians; And the said Marion M. Ballew is a Cherokee Indian by blood deriving his Cherokee Indian blood from his mother Caroline Ballew and the said Caroline Ballew derived her Cherokee blood from her mother Gelfha Freeland and the said Gelfha Freeland derived her Cherokee Indian blood from her father George Campbell

Rachel A. Higdon

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 22nd day of August A.D. 1896

W. D. Watson  
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900



# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America )  
 Northern District )  
 Ind. Ter )

In the case of \_\_\_\_\_ claimant for citizenship  
 in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
 Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. D. Watson  
 Notary Public within and for the District a  
 to administer oaths Phillip D. Johnson aforenamed, duly authorized  
 well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
 deposes and says: My name is Phillip D. Johnson; my age is 60  
 years. My post-office address is Tahlequah  
Ind. Ter.; I am a farmer  
 I am a citizen of the Cherokee Nation Ind. Ter. by occupation;

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am well acquainted with Rachel A. Higdon  
 her maiden name was Freeland she was the daughter of  
 Novell C and Gelfha Freeland both of whom I was well  
 acquainted with the said Gelfha Freeland was a Campbell  
 before she married Novell C Freeland. I also know  
 Emma L Freeland her maiden name was Campbell she  
 married Jeremiah Freeland, I have no interest in this case,  
 I know the above named parties in East Tennessee,  
 the said Gelfha Freeland had a daughter named Caroline  
 she married Samuel Ballou, and one named Artemisa  
 she married a man named Watts

Phillip D. Johnson  
 subscribed and sworn to before me  
 this 28 day of August A.D. 1894  
 W. D. Watson Notary Public  
 my commission expires Jan 3rd 1900.

United States of America )  
 Northern District I.T. )  
 I, W. D. Watson a Notary Public  
 in and for said District  
 do hereby certify that this is a  
 true and perfect copy of an original affidavit made  
 in the case of Rachel A. Higdon  
 taken under my hand and seal of office this 28 day of Aug 1894  
 W. D. Watson Notary Public



STATE OF TENNESSEE }  
Polk County.

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, Howell E. Freeland, aged 82 years, a resident of Duck Town, Polk county, Tennessee, after being duly sworn, deposes as follows, to-wit:- That Rachel A. Higdon, who married J. H. Higdon, is my daughter. They were married one or two years before the late war, at Duck Town, Tennessee; that several children were born to them, and that affiant caint recollect their names. However he does remember that their oldest child was named Joseph. Affiant further states that his daughter, Rachel A. Higdon, nee Freeland, was also the daughter of Zelpha Freeland who was the daughter of George Campbell. Affiant further states that he was personally acquainted with George Campbell before his death, and it was generally understood and so recognized by all who knew him that he was part Cherokee Indian, his looks, hair and features indicated to affiant that he was part Indian, as affiant had lived among the Cherokee Indians for a good many years.

Affiant further states that Artemisa Sutton, who first married William Watts, some two children was born to them. When William Watts died during the late war, Joseph H. Watts was the oldest child, and Josephine, who is now dead, was the youngest.

Affiant further states, that Artemisa Sutton, nee Freeland, was the daughter of Zelpha Freeland who was the daughter of George Campbell aforesaid.

Affiant states, that his daughter, Caroline Ballew, nee Freeland, married Samuel Ballew, and several children was born to them. The oldest was named William. The next was named Zelpha, who is now dead. The balance of the children's names I cant now call to memory, to be positive.

That my daughter Caroline aforesaid is the daughter of Zelpha Freeland who was the daughter of George Campbell aforesaid. Affiant's means of knowing the facts of which he has testified, is by being personally acquainted with all the parties as above stated.

H. E. Freeland.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 3rd day of October, 1894.

And I certify that affiant is a credible person, and entitled to full faith and credit on oath and so reputed among his neighbors.

*G. E. Wyatt*  
Notary Public.

*United States of America }  
Northern District of Tenn.*

*I W. D. Wasson  
is a Notary Public  
in and for said District*

*Do hereby Certify that I have examined the  
Original Affidavit and that the foregoing  
is a true and perfect Copy of the same  
Given under my hand and seal of office  
this the 3rd day of Sept. A.D. 1894*

*W. D. Wasson  
Notary Public*

*My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900*

United States of America, Before me the undersigned  
Notary Public J. P. [unclear] personally appeared  
Annie C. Freeland

who after being by me duly sworn says  
upon her oath that: My name is Annie C.  
Freeland; my age is 84 years. My Post Office  
is Ahleguash, D. T. I am well acquainted with  
Rachel A. Higdon she is the daughter of Alpha  
Freeland and the said Alpha Freeland was  
my sister, our father was named George Campbell  
he was a Cherokee Indian by blood and I firmly  
believe that his name appears on the roll of 1835  
The said Rachel A. Higdon is the mother of four  
girls and two boys named as follows Joe H.;  
Jesse J.; Minnie and Eudine. Higdon. and  
Sarah I who married Parker and Margaret  
J. who married Townsend, the said Rachel  
A. Higdon has a sister Caroline she is dead  
she married a man named Ballou and by  
him had the following named children to wit:  
Wm. J. Samuel Grims and Marion M. Ballou  
and Mary R. Brewer nee Ballou  
Joe H. Higdon  
Bettie Vasson  
Annie C. Freeland  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 27 day of August A. D. 1894  
W. D. Vasson

Notary Public  
My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900

No 1818271

Application of  
Mary R. Brewer.  
for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation.

Filed Sept 7-1894  
A. S. McKinnon  
Clerk

Rejected

~~Dismissed~~

W. B. Masson Atty for  
Petitioner

Pahleguah  
J. T.



United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Ter.

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Rachel A. Higdon and Henry C. Greeland who after being by me duly sworn say upon their oaths that they reside in the Cherokee Nation Ind. Ter.; That Rachel A. Higdon is 55 years old, Henry C. Greeland is 45 years old and; That they are acquainted with Mary R. Brewer who is the daughter of Samuel and Caroline Ballou; That the said Caroline Ballou was the daughter of Howell C. and Zelfha Greeland and; That the said Zelfha Greeland was the daughter of George Campbell a Cherokee Indian by blood and who's name appears upon the Rolls of the Cherokee Indians Made in the year 1895 and; That the said Mary R. Brewer is the wife of Thomas J. Brewer and; That the said Mary R. Brewer is a Cherokee Indian by blood deriving her Indian blood from the said George Campbell as aforesaid; and; That the said parties have no interest in this action further than that justice may be done.

H. C. Greeland  
Rachel A. Higdon

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 28 day of July A.D. 1899  
W. D. Masson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900

Nation's No. 706

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

Mary R. Breuer

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 21 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

COM 'R'



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*May R. Brewer*

Nation's No. *706*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that: *George Campbell*

..... through whom the petitioner..... claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Bouquies* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the *16th* day of *Sept* 1896.

*A. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

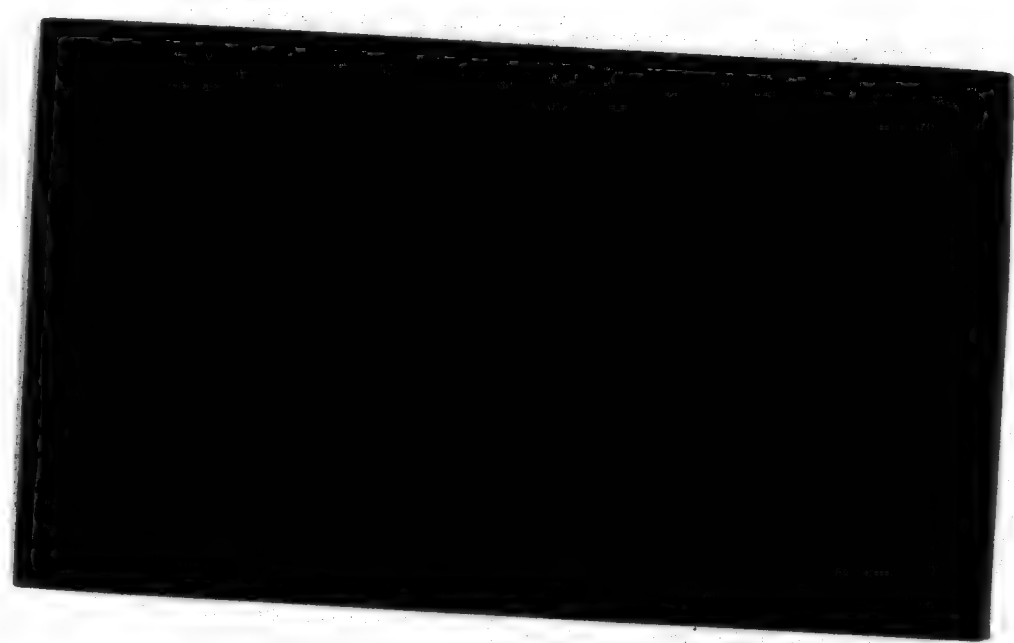


**End**

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The State of Texas }  
County of Tarrant } Before me W.A.  
Clements a J.P. & ex officio Notary Public  
in and for Tarrant Texas, this day  
personally came M.J. Hallis who  
being duly sworn says the foregoing  
in favor of M.F. Human is correct.  
That the packages sent the Governor for  
which we send his receipt for same  
contained true copies of the application  
and affidavits, in support thereof. No of  
receipt is as registered on the 17 day of  
August 1896, by Mrs M.F. Human,

M.J. Hallis  
Sworn to and subscribed before me  
This Aug 27, 1896

W.A. Clements J.P.  
and ex officio Notary Public  
T.C.S.

No. 298,272

Allen Jates et al

vs

Cherokee Nation

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Filed Aug. 29 - 1896

J. S. McKeim

Attorney



State of Texas }  
County of Tarrant } I, the undersigned  
personally appeared Mrs Mary Ann  
Massaline Francis Jeter Herman who  
being duly sworn stated upon oath as  
follows to wit: I am entitled to be  
added to the rolls as a citizen of the Cherokee  
Nation and that Commission shall pass  
upon my claim for citizenship in said  
Nation. The grounds that my claims are  
based on are these. My great grand  
father was a full blood Indian, his  
name was Bill Sumnerall my grand  
father was his son by a white woman  
Patsy Rumbly by name, who is dead, died in  
North Georgia. Grand father went by his mother's  
name. His given name was Billy or William  
Rumbly he was raised by the Indians in  
North Georgia born in the year 1800.  
My mother was Billy Rumbly's daughter  
her name was Mary Ann Rumbly  
and I am Mary Ann Rumbly's daughter  
Mother married Austin Jeter in 1826  
in North Georgia. She was born in the  
yr 1829. I was born in the yr 1847.  
My claim has never been denied nor acted  
on. My <sup>in Lincoln Co. Double Branch S.D.</sup> ~~first~~ parents died in Georgia except  
Mother she died in Tarrant Co. Texas.  
I claim to be 1/8 Cherokee Indian.  
I refer you to the following names supposed  
to be on your record John Winder.  
Granny Pham. Name Rumbly (Grand father  
Sister) M. E. Herman

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> 1896

W. A. Clements J. P.  
and by M. E. Herman

Chickasaw Nation, Ind. Ter  
Pickens County

Personally appeared before me the  
under signed authority who after  
being duly sworn by me deposes  
and says.  
that we Allen Jeter and Mary F. Human  
claim to be the Cherokee Indians  
my Great Grand father Billy Summerall  
being a full blood Cherokee Indian  
my Grand father Billy Rumley or Summerall  
being half blood mother being one fourth  
her being Billy Rumley's daughter  
my self Allen Jeter and Mary F. Human  
being Mary Ann Rumley's children  
the reason my Grand father went by the  
of Rumley my Great Grand father Summerall  
married a Rumley, and my Grand  
Father went by the name of his mother's  
maiden name signed by Allen Jeter  
Attest

E. T. Stewart

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
a Notary Republic in and for  
Pickens County Indian Territory  
H. M. Denny  
Notary Republic

Nation's No. 485  
Commission's No.  
In re Application of

Allen Jeter

Demurrer and Answer  
FILED SEPT. 9 1896  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM'R



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

Allen J. Selis

Nation's No. 485

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that Billy K. K. K.

through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Adair Esq. By Hutchings, Hastings & Bond  
S. H. Mayes, Prin. Chief C.N.  
having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

3 day of Sept.

1896.

D. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC

**End**

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Nation's No. 299

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Elizabeth Hughes*  
*et al.*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 9 1896. \*

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of *Elizabeth Hughes,  
James Hughes, William Hughes, George  
Hughes and James Hughes*

Nation's No. *297*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* ~~are~~  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Elizabeth and David Matthews + Elizabeth and Charles Jones*

through whom the petitioners claim to derive *their* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, ~~is~~ <sup>are</sup> not now, and ~~has~~ <sup>have</sup> not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that ~~his~~ <sup>their</sup> name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither ~~he~~ <sup>they</sup> nor any of ~~his~~ <sup>their</sup> ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory *as citizens thereof*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hastings Sanders Hutchings*

Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*John L. Adair*  
*D. J. Ball*

day of

*Sept*

1896.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

no 261-273

Elizabeth Hughes Et al  
Applicants

vs { Application for citi-  
zenship Enrollment.

The Cherokee nation  
Ind Ter

James Hughes Post Office  
Address Tahlequah St.

Filed Aug. 28. 1896

A. S. McKernan,  
Clerk

9-22-96

Reverted

G. W. BAKER, Atty. Tahlequah St.



Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TALEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Aug 26 1896

Received from

James Hughes -

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

The Application of Elizabeth Hughes  
James Hughes - and William George  
and James Hughes - and  
me - (2) applicants of Martin Wood

certified to by

J. W. Baker

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of above applicants

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

William Hutchings  
Atty

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Before the Daws Citizenship Commission Sitting At Vinita

Elizabeth Hughes, James Hughes  
William, Hughes, Georges. Hughes  
And Jennie Hughes, Applicants.  
VS,  
The Cherokee Nation, et, al.  
Respondents.

Application for citizenship on the Daws  
Commission Citizenship Rolls by a Special  
Act of U, S, Congress

To the Hon Daws , Commission A commission  
to determine the citizenship of the Cherokee Nation, Your Applicants would  
most respectfully represent and state under their oaths, That they are resi-  
dents of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory, and that Tahlequah is their  
Post Office Adress, And Elizabeth Hughes State for her Special Sworn Statement  
That she is the wife of James Hughes Deceased, and that there was born to her  
and her husband in his life time and who is now living three heirs at law to  
wit James Hughes, Jane Hughes and who intermarried with one Edward, Crabtree,  
and Malinda, Hughes, Who intermarried with one Hervy Macabauw, and that the  
said Elizabeth Hughes further states that she is the Daughter of Elizabeth  
and David Watkins, deceased, there was born to the said Elizabeth and David,  
Watkins Ten children to wit, Wyly Watkins, Jessie Watkins, Cynthia Watkins Sallie  
Watkins, and who intermarried to <sup>one</sup> James Hunter now deceased, Burton Watkins, David  
Watkins, George Watkins, Jackson Watkins, Osburn Watkins, and <sup>one</sup> your affiant and  
applicant ( Elizabeth Hughes) The said Elizabeth Watkins deceased, was the  
daughter of Elizabeth and Charles Jones, deceased, or this applicant is the  
the grand child of Elizabeth and Charles Jones Deceased the said Elizabeth  
and Charles Jones deceased and the said Elizabeth Watkins deceased (My Mother)  
was Full blood cherokee indian by birth and by blood, Cherokee Indians,

Dully acknoweledged and accepted as such in the state of North Carolina,  
I was Born and raised at or near the town of Murphy in the said state of  
North, Carolina, and that I am <sup>one of</sup> the Identical Daughter of Elizabeth Watkins,  
Deceased and David Watkins Deceased and the grand Daughters of Elizabeth and  
Charles Jones Deceased, who are Upon the Cherokee census Rolls of 1835 and  
the varrious other dates taken by the Cherokees, in the old cherokee Nation  
And that James Hughes is my son he was born to me and my Husband as <sup>one of</sup> our law-  
ful heir, and he the said James Hughes intermarried with one Jennie Callihan  
and <sup>one of</sup> there has ben born to them two children by the name of George and William  
Hughes, the aforesaid statements and and relationship <sup>is by</sup> blood is what  
these applicants base their grounds of citizenship on and firmly know of  
their own personal knoweledge that they are cherokee Indians Born in the  
aforesaid state of North Carolina and that all of their ancestors was cherk  
Indians, and they firmly beleive that the names of said ancestors is upon the roll  
and that your applicants refer your <sup>one of</sup> commission to a well known  
and respected citizen of the cherokee Nation Indian Territory by the name  
of Martin Ward, whose post Office adress is Evans ville washington county  
in the state of Arkansas but he lives in the cherokee Nation and this is  
on the line of the Nation <sup>and</sup> in the County of Washington in the State of  
Arkansas.



I, the undersigned, Notary Public for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same was presented to me for record and filing.

Notary Public for the State of North Carolina.

2 and the said Martin Ward knows all of the applicants people way back in the State of North Carolina, from the birth and girlhood of the said Elizabeth Hughes and the said James Hughes and Jane Crabtree and Malinda MacAbauw, and also the said sallie watkins the wife of James Hunter deceased, and to be also the sister to the Applicant (Elizabeth Hughes). And your applicants submits the above facts and awaits the action of your Hon body to readmission together herewith they submit the proof in support, of their claim and asks that they be given a true hearing that they firmly believe that they have a just and meritorious claim for citizenship to readmission to the Cherokee Nation in accordance to said special act of congress of the United States Approved may 1898 and to all of which they forever pro

Witnessed by James Hughes Elizabeth Hughes  
James Hughes James Hughes

United States, Of America  
 Indian, Territory Northern District. ss

I Elizabeth Hughes and James Hughes State under our oath that we are acquainted with the aforesaid statements and and acknowledge the same to be our sworn declaration and that the contents are contained therein are true,

Elizabeth Hughes  
James Hughes

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 28th day of July and 1898 and I further certify that they were made acquainted with the facts and statements therein contained and that they made and signed their name and made their mark in my presents and that they were duly qualified and sworn to the same and that the same was executed in duplicate copies and qualified to them both in accordance to law,

Notary Public for the State of North Carolina.

Notary Public  
 My Commission Expires On the 31st day of November, 1898



State Of Arkansas  
County Of Washington

SS.

On this day came before me A Notary

Public Within and for the aforesaid county and state, Appeared in person XXX  
Martin Ward A Citizen of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory and States  
Under his Oath that he is a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory,  
And resides <sup>in</sup> the said Cherokee, Nation, near the line of the Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory and further state that my age is 85 years old I am a  
Native born of North Carolina near a town Called Murphy, in Cherokee County in  
said state, I was Born and raised in the same neighborhood that Elizabeth  
Hughes was her maiden name was Elizabeth Watkins she was the daughter of  
Elizabeth and David Watkins deceased they had ten children born to them, wit-  
Wyly Watkins Jessie Watkins who Married Cunningham and Cynthia,  
Watkins who Married was not married when left And Sallie Watkins who Mari-  
ed, James Hunter <sup>deceased.</sup> Burton Watkins, David Watkins, George Watkins, Jackson Watkins,  
Osburn Watkins and Elizabeth Watkins, who married James Hughes, deceased and  
she had born to her James <sup>Hughes</sup> ~~Watkins~~ now living near the Town of Tahlequah, in  
Tahlequah, District Cherokee Nation Indian Territory; Jane Hughes, who  
Married Edward Crabtree, and Malinda, Hughes who married Hervy Macshaw, they  
are now living at Joplin in the state of Missouri, The said Elizabeth Hughes  
is now living with her son James near Tahlequah, I, T, as aforesaid  
I was Personally acquainted with Elizabeth Jones and Charles Jones deceased  
in the state of North Carolina, and James Hunter since the year 1829 we were  
raised up together and that Charles Jones and Elizabeth Jones is the grand  
father and Mother of the said Sallie Hunter, and Elizabeth, Hughes and the  
rest of the Watkins Children mentioned above and I personally know of my  
own knowledge that Charles Jones and Elizabeth Jones is Upon the Cherokee  
Rolls Forty four years ago and that James Hunter and Sallie Hunter was  
Cherokee Indians and that Sallie Hunter <sup>who</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>grand,</sup> the Daughter Of Elizabeth, and  
Charles Jones And the mother of James Hunter all deceased And Elizabeth  
Watkins who was the mother of Sallie Hunter, and Elizabeth Hughes, are the gra  
grand children of Elizabeth, and Charles Jones, deceased. And That Drewery  
Jones who lived on grand river in the Cherokee Nation is a cousin to Sallie  
Hunter and Elizabeth Hughes, Sallie Watkins And and who married James C  
Hunter and Elizabeth Hughes who married James are full sisters of my own  
personal Knowledge And that they are all Cherokee Indians and Entitled  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory. And that the said  
Elizabeth Hughes is the, XX, Identical relation as aforesaid and of the same  
said Identical Elizabeth and Charles Jones <sup>of the same</sup> Families in the State of North,  
Carolina, That are upon the Cherokee Rolls of 1852-1851-1848. the aforesaid  
is the family of the ancestors and the heirs and the issues of the lineal  
ancestors of the Jones

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of July 1898

Made in duplicate copies

Martin Ward  
Francis M. Stewart  
Notary Public

My commission expires on 8 day of January 1900

**End**

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No. 251-  
Miriam M. Davis  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 27-1896  
A.S. McKim on  
Court

Crestline, Kas.

Miriam M. Davis  
Chester M. Davis & Co.  
Hemp

P.S. In addition to the foregoing names  
I would call your attention to the work  
of the Cherokee Nation  
I have this day sent a copy of these  
papers to the Chief of Cherokee Nation  
Sahagmash Jnes. Jcs.

I Hiram M. Davis would respectfully  
submit to your consideration the claim  
that I am of Cherokee Indian descent  
as follows. Rebecca Davis my mother,  
Elizabeth or Betsey Osborn her mother,  
John and Polly Thompson her Parents,  
The said John and Polly Thompson  
being Cherokee Indians.

That Elizabeth or Betsey Osborn and her  
family settled among the whites and so  
lost the tribal relation.

I therefore petition your Hon. Committee  
to restore me and my family to the Tribal  
relation. My Childrens names are as  
follows: Edgar J. Davis, Clara M. Brown,  
Florence M. Sneed, Sarah Elsie Davis,  
Emma Davis, Louisa M. Davis and  
Hiram M. Davis.

I believe the above claims to be a just claim  
signed Hiram M. Davis.

Subscribed and Affirmed to before me This 5<sup>th</sup> day  
18<sup>th</sup> August 1896 R. M. Jones J. P.

P.S. In addition to the foregoing proof  
I would call your attention to the Roll  
of the Cherokee Nation

I have this day sent a copy of these  
papers to the Chief of Cherokee Nation  
Tahlequah Ind. Ter.

Hiram McDavis  
Crestline Cherokee Co.  
Kans.

No. 251 -  
Hiram M. Davis  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 27-1896  
AS Myerson  
Clerk

Crestline, Kas.



In the matter of the Application  
of Wiram M Davis for Citizenship in  
the Indian Territory.

Affidavit of  
Elizabeth Fowler

State of Indiana ) S.  
Grant County )

Elizabeth Fowler being first sworn  
on oath says my name is Elizabeth  
Fowler. I am ninety one years old.  
I reside in Grant County, State of  
Indiana. I was born in <sup>Bilford</sup> ~~Clifford~~  
County North Carolina in the year 1800.  
My maiden name was Elizabeth  
Osborn. I resided in the state of  
North Carolina three years. Then removed  
with my parents to Clinton County  
State of Ohio. Lived there Thirteen  
years. Then removed with my parents  
to Wayne County Indiana. Remained  
there thirty years except about eight  
years I lived in Missouri and Iowa.  
I have lived in Grant County ever since  
that time. My Father's name was  
David Osborn. My Mother's <sup>maiden</sup> ~~name~~ was  
name was Elizabeth (called Betsey)  
Thompson. My mother's Father's name  
was John Thompson and her mother's  
name was Polly Thompson.

I state that all the facts herein  
stated are from personal knowledge  
of all the parties and places named  
in this instrument.

I state further that my affidavit  
is made without consideration  
or reward or expected remuneration  
either directly or indirectly.

Further affiant saith not.

Witness my hand

Elizabeth Foulke  
mark

Noah Harris

Nancy Harris

Also personally appeared before me

Noah Harris and Nancy Harris

residing at Jonesboro Grant County Indiana  
whose identity to be respectable  
persons and entitled to credit and  
upon being by me duly sworn say  
that they were present and saw  
Elizabeth Foulke, affiant, make  
his mark to the foregoing declaration.

~~I further depose that~~  
as per Tance with said deponent  
that she is the identical person she  
represents herself to be and that  
they have no interest in the prosecution  
of said claim.

Noah Harris

Nancy Harris



Subscribed and sworn to, before  
me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1891  
And I certify that the contents of  
the above instrument was made  
known to the defendant before she  
subscribed to the same. And also  
to the affiants before they signed it  
I certify I have no interest in the  
prosecution of this claim.

Witness my hand and Notarial  
Seal this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1891

John F. Furnish

Notary Public

My commission expires June 18<sup>th</sup> 1892



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Crestone KS  
Registered Letter No. 26 Rec'd. Aug 20 1896

of Rev H. M. Davis  
a letter  
addressed to Chief of Cherokee Nation  
Tahlequah Ind Ter  
W. L. Hamlet P. M.

I Isaac Jay being duly affirmed  
to depose and say that I was well  
acquainted with Rebecca Davis and  
know that she is the daughter of  
Elizabeth (or Betsey) Ustorn. Also know that  
Hiram M. Davis is the son of Rebecca Davis.  
I am well acquainted with the family  
of Hiram M. Davis and know their names  
to be as follows. Edgar J. Davis,  
Clara M. Brown, Florence M. Sneed,  
Sarah Elsie Davis, Emma Davis,  
Louisa M. Davis, and Hiram C. Davis.  
Signed Isaac Jay

Subscribed and Affirmed to before me  
this 5 day of August 1896  
R M. Jones J.P.

A. A. Kenworthy being duly Affirmed  
depose and say that I know that  
Hiram M. Davis is the son of Rebecca  
Davis and that his Childrens names  
are as follows:

Edgar J. Davis, Claram Brown  
Florence M. Sneed, Sarah Elsie Davis,  
~~Emma Davis, Louisa M. Davis and~~  
Hiram C. Davis.

Signed A. A. Kenworthy

Subscribed and Affirmed to before me this  
14 day of August 1896

R. M. Jones  
Justice of Peace



Nation's No. 177

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

Hiram M. Davis

et al

Demurrer and Answer.

Filed Apr 2/16.

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U. S. District Court, District of Massachusetts  
Before the Honorable Judge J. Lewis Smith, C. V. No. 177

By the Plaintiff, T. B. Carpenter and

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

Hiram M. Noais  
et al

Nation's No. 177

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

Montpelier The Acceptors John & Pally  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive this right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Quinn, Ex Corp. S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief C. N.  
By Hastings Hastings & Baird, Corp.  
S. H. Mayes having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 28 day of Aug, 1896.

S. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC.





REGISTRY RETURN RECEIPT sent *Aug 20*, 189*4*

Reg. No. *26* from Post Office at *Chester, Mo.*

\*Reg. Letter \*Reg. Parcel Addressed to *Chief of Cherokee Nation*  
*Washington D.C.*

After obtaining receipt below, the Postmaster will send this Card, without cover and without postage, to address on the other side.

RECEIVED THE ABOVE DESCRIBED REGISTERED \*LETTER.  
\*PARCEL.

(POSTER'S NAME ON OTHER SIDE)

Sign in dotted lines to the right.

When delivery is made to other than addressee, the name of both addressee and recipient must appear.

*S. H. Mayes*  
*By S. H. Peak*

\* Send letter or parcel according to which is sent.

J. A. Palmer being duly sworn  
say that I saw Hiram M. Davis enclosed  
in an envelope addressed to the Chief  
of Cherokee Nation, <sup>Sakagawia and for</sup> the same  
to be sent by mail the following papers  
An Affidavit made by Elizabeth Fowles  
of Grant Co. Ind; An Affidavit by Hiram  
M. Davis Cherokee Co. Kans. An Affidavit  
by Isaac Jay Cherokee Co. Kans. An Affidavit  
by A. A. Kennorby Cherokee Co. Kans.

A. P. Green

Subscribed and sworn to this 26 day  
of August 1896 R. M. Jones J.P.

Star Print.

County Clerk's Office, Columbus, Kansas.

STATE OF KANSAS, } ss.  
COUNTY OF CHEROKEE,

I, T. W. Thomas, County Clerk within and for said county, do hereby certify that  
R. M. Jones was a legally elected and duly qualified Justice of the Peace, in  
and for said county, for the years 1895, 1896, as the same appears of Record in my office and  
custody, and that his acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, also that the certificate herewith  
is executed according to the laws of the State of Kansas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official seal this 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of August, 1896.

By ~ Deputy.

T. W. Thomas  
County Clerk.



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Nation's No. 686

Commission's No

In re Application of

*Brian M Davis*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 2 1896. \*

\*A. S. MCKENNON\*

COM 'R'

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Hiram M. Davis*

Nation's No. *636*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

*John and Pally Thompson*  
..... through whom the petitioner..... claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *as* ~~is~~ not now, and ~~has~~ *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory *as citizens thereof.*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Bausins* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the.....

*John L. Adair*  
day of *Sept* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Commission's No .....

In re Application of

Maryna Smith

Filed Sept 9/96

St. Andrew

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

Mervin Smith,

Nation's No. 206

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that John Griffith

..... through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Dain, Ex. Comr.

S. H. Mayes, Prin. Chief C. N.  
By Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot

S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 29 day of Aug. 1896.

D. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC.



<sup>1</sup>  
Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from

TANESQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1896

the following documents, to-wit:

*affidavits of Nancy Slaughter,  
Jake McCallan and Elsie Lowry.*

certified to by

*S. S. Bayles*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

*Minervia Smith*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*F. J. Brundage*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Atty for Cherokee Nation*

(Copy)

United States of America  
State of Texas  
Darrin County

In the case of Manervia Smith claimant  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Ind. Day  
as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before Cherokee  
Indian authority at Tahlequah Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory.

Personally came this day before me J. H. Smith  
Notary Public within and for the County afore-  
named duly authorized to administer oaths.  
Nancy Shaughter to me personally well  
known to be reputable and entitled to credit  
and who being by me first duly sworn accord-  
ing to law before me said o. My name  
is Nancy Shaughter my age is 69 years, my  
post office address is Honey Grove Texas, I am  
a Housekeeper by occupation. I am a citizen  
of Darrin Co. Tx.

And affirm and declare in relation to the  
above case, as follows, to wit,

I know Manervia Smith. have known  
her from her childhood. I first knew her  
in Madison County Mississippi.  
We moved together to Texas where I  
lived near her until she moved to O.S.  
I knew her father in the state of Mississippi.  
His name was George Griffin he looked  
like and was a full blood Cherokee Indian.

O.K.

(Copy)

George Griffin was a stage driver  
and was said to have been killed by his  
team running away with him, &  
Maneria Smith's mother. Her name  
Margaret Staughter before her marriage  
she was a light brown colored woman,  
her father was a Colored man she died  
in Honey Grove Texas. George Griffin's  
mother left Mississippi with the  
other Cherokee Indians and went to the  
Indian Nation was the last I ever  
heard of her. her name was Julia  
Griffin they called her Jada

witness

J. V. Smith

W. T. Bauman

Signed: Nancy <sup>her</sup> Staughter  
mother

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this July 6<sup>th</sup> 1895

J. V. Smith  
W. T. Bauman

J. V. Smith

Notary Public

in and for Tennessee

O.K.



(Copy)

State of Texas  
County of Tarrant

Before me the undersigned authority this day personally appeared Jos. McCallan well known to me and made the following statement after being duly sworn.

I knew Julia Griffith in that State of Mississippi about the year 1841. She was driven from the State of Mississippi about that year with her tribe of Indians the Choctaws.

She was the grand mother of Minerva Smith and the mother of George Griffith.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this July 18<sup>th</sup> 1894  
Jos. McCallan

Sworn to & subscribed to

Seal

J. H. Smith

Notary Public in and for Tarrant County State of Texas

OK

State of Texas  
County of Tarrant

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Before me the undersigned authority this day personally appeared Jas. M. McEllan who being by me duly sworn, being known to me to be a reputable citizen, - having the following interrogation propounded to him, gave the answers as herein recorded.

1<sup>st</sup> - Do you know Minerva Smith?

Ans. - Yes.

2<sup>d</sup> - What relation are you to the said Minerva Smith?

Ans. - I am her uncle.

3<sup>d</sup> - Have you been knowing her every since her birth?

Ans. - Yes.

4<sup>th</sup> - In what state and county was she born?

Ans. - County of Madison State of Mississippi.

5<sup>th</sup> - Did you know her mother?

Ans. - Yes.

6<sup>th</sup> - What color was she?

Ans. - Brown skin.

7<sup>th</sup> - Did you know Minerva Smith's father?

Ans. - Yes.

8<sup>th</sup> - What was his name?

Ans. - George Griffith.

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- 9<sup>th</sup> - Was he an Indian?  
Ans. Yes.  
10<sup>th</sup> - What tribe was he?  
Ans. Cherokee.  
11<sup>th</sup> - Did he have any other children than Minerva Smith?  
Ans. None that I knew.  
12<sup>th</sup> - What became of him?  
Ans. He was killed by runaway team.  
13<sup>th</sup> - What was his mother's name?  
Ans. Judy Griffith.  
14<sup>th</sup> - Was she a full blood Cherokee Indian?  
Ans. Yes.  
15<sup>th</sup> - Did she have any other children?  
Ans. None that I knew.

This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October  
A.D. 1893.



J. H. Smith  
Notary Public in  
and for Tarrant Co. Texas

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United States of America  
State of Texas  
Tarrant County.

I in the case of Manerova Smith  
claimant for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood. Before the Cherokee Indian  
authority at Dahlgren Indian Territory

Personally came this before me  
J. H. Smith a Notary Public within &  
for the County aforesaid duly  
authorized to administer, Elias Lowe  
to me personally well known to be  
reputable and entitled to credit and being  
by me first duly sworn according to  
law, depose and says My name is Elias

Lowe, my age is 70 years old my  
post office is Honey Grove Texas. I am a  
Farmer. I am a citizen of Tarrant Co  
Texas.

And ~~the~~ affiant declares in relation  
to the above named case as follows  
to wit. I know Manerova Smith.

I have known her from childhood. I first  
knew her in Madison County Mississippi.  
We moved to Texas where I lived near  
her until she moved to O. T. I knew her  
father in the State of Mississippi. His  
name was George Griffith. He looked

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and claimed to be a full blood Cherokee Indian. George Griffin was a stage driver and was said to have been killed by his team running away with him. I know Manerva Smith's mother, her name was Margaret Staughtin before her marriage. She was a light brown colored woman. Her father was a colored man. She died in Honey Grove Texas. George Griffin's mother left Mississippi with the other Cherokee Indians and went to the Indian Territory was the last & ever friend of her. Her name was Julia Griffin they called her Jada.

Witness  
J. Brown  
J. B. Smith

Signed Elias <sup>his</sup> + Lowe  
mark

Shown to and subscribed for  
on this July 6<sup>th</sup> 1895

J. B. Smith

Notary Public in

and for Darrin Co. Tex

I hereby certify that the above  
and foregoing statement is a true,  
correct and complete copy of all  
of the documents now on file in

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the Archives of the Cherokee Senate at  
Tahlequah C. H. D. T. in the case of Ma-  
survie Smith applicant for Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation.

Brown Hitchcock

Assistant Clerk of the Senate  
branch of the National Council  
Tahlequah C. H. D. T. August 17<sup>th</sup> 1896.

I hereby certify that Brown Hitchcock  
is the Assistant Clerk of the Senate  
branch of the National Council  
of the Cherokee Nation, and that  
his signature to the above and  
foregoing certificate is acknowledged  
before me by him as his, and

Witness my hand and seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896.  
Notary Public for the Cherokee Nation  
at Tahlequah, Cherokee County, Oklahoma Territory.  
M. W. Smith  
Applicant  
and letter of  
application  
M. W. Smith  
Copied and  
acknowledged  
for application  
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**End**

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Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from

SAHLEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY

1896

the following documents, to-wit:

*Application for Cherokee Cit.*  
*izenship of Robert L. Skaggs, Nancy J. Warren-*  
*ne Skaggs, Mrs. Cynthia Carter. And Affidavits*  
*of Josiah D. Beams & Filding H. Beams. Matt*  
*Christie, Jno. R. Gaud, Arthur Skaggs and Ch. A.*  
*Milliams.*

certified to by *S. S. Bayles, Notary Public.*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes

Commission in support of the claim of *above named applicants*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*F. J. Boush*  
*Atty for Cherokee Nation.*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

# Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TAHLEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Aug. 13 1896

Received from Rasmus & Ghormley copies of  
the following documents, to-wit:

One application  
Spagn of Affidavit

Case No.  
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certified to by S. I. Boyles, A. P.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

Amos J. Scagg.

for Cherokee citizenship.

By John L. Davis

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

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Andrew Skaggs & Co

Blanche Watson

Filed August 27, 1876.

H. W. J. J. J. J.

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— Reported

James & Blanche  
Talley, D. J.



# Lawyers Brief.

Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation. I.T.  
August 1896.

Before the Honorable "The Dawes Commission" sitting at Vinita, Ind. Ter.  
in the hearing and determining of  
claims for Indian citizenship in the  
respective five civilized Tribes of  
the Indian Territory.

In the Cases of  
Andrew J. Skaggs  
R. L. Skaggs  
Cynthia Carter  
Nancy J. Warren  
The Cherokee Nation  
Claim for  
Cherokee Indian  
Citizenship.

Comes now the plaintiffs in the above  
cited Cause and present their four  
(4) respective applications, and (seventy)  
pages of testimony in affidavit form, in  
support of their claims, and submit  
the same without argument.

Respectfully,

Rasmus & Thornley  
Attorneys for Plaintiffs

# APPLICATION FOR CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable, the National Council of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.:

The undersigned Andrew J. Shaggs your petitioner, makes this his application for re-admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the Constitution of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one Thomas Shaggs and the Great Grand Son of one Polly Shaggs nee Smith and the son of one who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years 1894, 1902, 1910 and 1920.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for re-admission, together with the proof in support thereof, herewith submitted, shall be truly heard and passed upon in accordance with said Constitution, and the statutory laws of the Cherokee Nation, and the precedence established and of public record in such cases.

That the age of your petitioner is Sixty three years; that his postoffice address is Oakford, Illinois and that his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

NO.	NAMES	SEX	AGE	RELATIONSHIP	REMARKS
1	Christopher Shaggs	Male	21	Son	Single

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at Petersburg Ills this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. 1916.

ATTEST:

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Petersburg Menard Co Ills this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. 1916.

(SEAL)

OK H. M. Leavins  
County Clerk



State of Illinois  
Menard County

SS.

In the case of Andrew J. Shaggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before Cherokee Indian author-  
ity at Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Personally came this day before me a County Clerk  
within and for the County of State aforementioned duly authorized  
to administer oaths. William W. Atterbury to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is William W. Atterbury  
my age is 54 years: my postoffice address is Petersburg Illinois  
I am a citizen of the City of Petersburg Menard County Illinois by occupation;  
And affiant declares in relation to the above named case as follows, to-wit:

I am well acquainted with the above named  
Andrew J. Shaggs, have known him for thirty three  
years. He has always been to my knowledge a  
reputable citizen & a man of good character.  
His family consists of himself, his wife Christina Shaggs,  
his children, J. D. Shaggs, Nancy Ann Shaggs intermarried  
with Thomas B. Clay, Cephalina Shaggs intermarried with  
Charles Carter, Christopher Shaggs single and living  
at home.

William W. Atterbury

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1896

H. M. Laeversing  
County Clerk

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State of Illinois  
Menard County

SS.

In the case of Andrew J. Shaggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before Cherokee Indian author-  
ity at Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Personally came this day before me A. County Clerk  
within and for the County of Menard State of Illinois aforementioned duly authorized  
to administer oaths. Cyrus J. McDowell to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Cyrus J. McDowell  
my age is 67 years; my postoffice address is Petersburg, Ill.

I am a Farmer by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the County of Menard and State of Illinois

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit:

I am well acquainted with the above named  
Andrew J. Shaggs. have known him over thirty  
years. He has always been an honorable and  
upright citizen. a man of good character, his  
family consists of himself, his wife Christina Shaggs,  
his children, J. D. Shaggs, Nancy Ann Shaggs  
intermarried with Thomas B. Celery, Cyrus Thos. Shaggs  
intermarried with Charles Carter, Christopher Shaggs  
single and living at home.

C. J. McDowell

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1894

H. M. Leevinsing  
County Clerk.

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# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Muskogee, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Robert L. Haggard your petitioner, makes this his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son ..... of one  
Charles Spaggs and the Grand Son ..... of one  
Moses Spaggs and the Great Grand son ..... of one  
~~apparently~~ the who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member ..... of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from  
whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory.

That ~~my~~ ~~and~~ the name ~~of~~ said ancestor ~~should~~ be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, ~~1836, 1837 and 1838~~

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this.....his.....application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is thirty nine years; that his postoffice address is Oakford Illinois and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
	Royal, C. Shaggs	male	2	son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Petersburg Illinois  
this, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D., 1896.

**Attest:**

A. D., 1896  
*R. L. Shaggs*  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
~~Butcher~~ *Clinton*  
 this, the *17*th day of *July*  
 A. D., 1896

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
~~Washington~~ *Albany*  
this, the *17th* day of *July*  
A. D., 189*6*

[SEAL]

He M. Leavins  
County Clerk  
Menard County Ark.

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## Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Mrs. Cynthia Carter your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the Daughter of one A. J. Shaggs and the Grand Daughter of one Thomas Shaggs and the Great grand Daughter of one Moses and Archibald Shaggs who, your petitioner firmly believes, were Cherokee Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That she and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1840, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is Twenty Six years; that her postoffice address is Oakford Illinois and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	<u>Venia Carter</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Daughter</u>	<u>Single</u>
2	<u>Cecil Carter</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>Single</u>
3	<u>Sally Carter</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Daughter</u>	<u>Single</u>

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Oakford Ill this, the 19th day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: Cynthia Carter

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

Oakford Ill

this, the 19 day of August, A. D., 1896.

J. J. Smith

Notary Public



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Nancy J. Warren nee Briggs, your petitioner, makes this Her application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of Her claim, to-wit:

That ~~she~~ *she* is the *great grand daughter* of one *Charles Hays* and the *lineal descendant* of one *Betsy Thompson* and the *lineal descendant* of one *Wm Jones* who, your petitioner firmly believes, ~~there~~ Cherokee Indians by blood and duly acknowledged members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom ~~she~~ *she* derived *her* Cherokee Indian blood, entitling *her* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That..... name and the name..... of said ancestor..... should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1840, 1850, and 1860.  
And your petitioner..... respectfully prays that.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is forty-two years; that her address is Newton Texas and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
1	Curtis Murrie Skager	Boy	18	Son	
2	Paul Skager Skager	"	16	"	
3	Catharine Mary Skager	Girl	14	Daughter	
4	Maud Skager	"	13	"	
5	Josephine Skager	"	11	"	
6	Robert C Skager	Boy	8	Son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Union Gap  
this, the Third day of August, A. D., 1896

**Attest:**

James S. Warren  
Subscribed and sworn to before me at my office  
in Blanton Blanton Co Texas  
this, the third day of August  
A. D., 1896

Wm. M. Woods, Sales Public  
Hunt C. Lee

State of Illinois  
Menard County

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In the case of Robert L. Shaggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before Cherokee Indian author-  
ity at Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Personally came this day before me H. M. Levesing County Clerk  
within and for the County of Menard State of Illinois personally  
to administer oaths. Josiah D. Beams Fiddler H. Beams  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Josiah D. Beams  
my age is 69 years; my postoffice address is Petersburg Illinois  
I am a Carpenter by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the City of Petersburg Menard Co. Ill.  
And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit:

I have been personally acquainted with the  
applicant, Robert L. Shaggs for the past 15 years  
and know him to be the person he represents  
himself to be in application for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation.

I knew his father Charles Shaggs and his grand  
father Moses Shaggs. I was not acquainted  
with his great grand father William Shaggs who married  
Polly Smith. and I sincerely believe he derives his  
Cherokee Indian blood, running back to  
his ancestors East of the Mississippi River.

Josiah D. Beams  
Fiddler H. Beams  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
17<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1896  
H. M. Levesing  
County Clerk

O.K.



# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America  
Indian Territory  
Northern District

In the case of Robt L. and A. J. Skaggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dayes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. H. Humphrey, a Notary  
Public within and for the State of Oklahoma, duly authorized  
to administer oaths to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is W. H. Humphrey; my age is 80  
years: My post-office address is Tahlequah, Okla.  
I am a citizen of the Cherokee Nation by blood; by occupation;

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I was well acquainted with Polly  
Smith in the old Cherokee Nation.  
She was a Cherokee Indian by blood  
Her name on the 1835 census roll  
she married a man by the name of Skaggs.

W. H. Humphrey  
Notary

Subscribed to and sworn before me  
this 15th July 1896.

My Comm. - 4. Jan. 16-99. W. H. Humphrey  
Notary Public  
Northern Dist. Okla.

O.K.



AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America  
Indian Territory  
Western District

In the case of Robt. L. and A. J. Koggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. B. Thornley a Notary  
Public within and for the State of Arkansas the undersigned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths John R. Gourd to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is John R. Gourd; my age is 30  
years: My post-office address is Tahlequah, I. T.  
I am a citizen of the Cherokee Nation by blood by occupation;

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I was well acquainted with Polly Smith  
in the old Cherokee Nation. She was  
a Cherokee Indian and her name  
is on the census roll of 1835. She  
was married to the name of Koggs.  
He was a white Cherokee Indian.

John R. Gourd  
Notary

Subscribed to and sworn before  
me this 19th day of July 1896

My Com. 4 Jan 16-99.

W. B. Thornley.

Notary Public

Western District

O.K.

# AFFIDAVIT.

State of Texas  
County of Blanton } SS.

In the case of Nancy J. Warren ne Skaggs claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me Wm. M. Woods a Notary  
Public within and for the County of Blanton aforenamed, duly authorized  
to administer oaths C. A. Williams to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is C. A. Williams; my age is 51  
years: My post-office address is Blanton Texas  
; I am a Merchant by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the State of Texas Blanton County -

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with the above-named applicant  
Nancy J. Warren and personally know her  
to be the same person who was formerly  
known as Nancy J. Skaggs & that she inter-  
married with one James T. Warren about  
two years ago  
C. A. Williams

Subscribed and sworn to before me Wm  
M. Woods a Notary Public in and for the  
County of Blanton State of Texas at my  
office in Blanton Texas  
this 3 day of August 1896



Wm. M. Woods  
N. P. U. S. Texas

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# AFFIDAVIT.

State of Illinois  
Menard County

SS.

In the case of Mrs. Cynthia Carter claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "David  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me J. J. Stroh  
Notary Public within and for the State of Illinois before named, duly authorized  
to administer oaths. Andrew J. Shaggs to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Andrew J. Shaggs; my age is sixty three  
years: My post-office address is Oakford Illinois  
I am a Farmer by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the United States

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I do her to be my daughter who was  
born to me in lawful wedlock and  
are my daughter as set forth in her  
application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee nation Indian nation  
and also believe that she derived  
her Cherokee Indian blood running back  
from me to my ancestors East of the  
Mississippi River

Andrew J. Shaggs

subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August A D 1896

O. K. J. J. Stroh  
Notary Public



BEFORE THE HONORABLES HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG,  
A. S. MCKENNON, T. B. CARANISS & A. S. MONTGOMERY,  
COMMISSIONERS.

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In the matter of application of

Andrew J. Skaggs

Nation's No. 112

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation.

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Your respondent, S. H. Hayes, principal Chief of the Cherokee  
Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for grounds  
thereof says:

1st. That this commission has not jurisdiction over the par-  
ties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right  
therefore to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient,  
if true to show that the applicant, ... is ... entitled to cit-  
izenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting  
upon the same for answer to said application says that)

Pharad Skaggs

through whom the petitioner... claim to derive... his right to cit-  
izenship in the Cherokee Nation is not now, and has not been a  
citizen of the Cherokee Nation since the removal of said Nation  
west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined;  
that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls  
of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now ~~was~~  
reside, or ever has resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Ter-  
ritory.

Having fully answered, your Respondent asks to be hence dis-  
missed.

S. H. Hayes, Prin. Chief C. N.

By H. H. Hayes, H. H. Hayes & Boudin  
attys.

Nation's No. 178-

Andrew J. Skaggs.

Answer

Filed Sept 2/16.

H. M. Jacobson  
recy.



John L. Lakin, Ex-Sec. of Cherokee Nation,

~~A. H. Hayes~~ Having been first duly sworn states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of  
his knowledge and belief.

John L. Lakin.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of Aug.  
1896.

E. J. Ball.  
Notary Public.



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Nation's No. 208  
Commission's No.  
In re Application of

Robert L. Skaggs  
Honey J. Warren  
Cynthia Carter

Demurrer and Answer.  
FILED SEPT. 7 1990.  
A. S. McKENNON  
COM 'R'

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
Robert L. Skaggs  
Nancy L. Skaggs  
Mrs. Cynthia Carter  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. 208  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that Moses + Archibald Skaggs  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive their right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. Mayes, Prin. Chief C. N.  
John L. Davis, Ex-Sec. By Hutchings, Hastings & Bondine, attys.  
I, S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 27 day of Aug. 1896.  
D. J. Ball  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Nation's No. 4213

Commission's No .....

In re Application of

Nancy J. Ward.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Nancy J. Ward et al.*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
~~entitled to citizenship.~~

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *John Ballard*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *this* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Bondurant* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

day of

1896

*John L. Adair*  
*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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# Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TAHLEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY, Aug. 22, 1896

Received from Rasmus + Ghormley copies of  
the following documents, to-wit:

One application  
1 page of affidavit -

Part of the Leitha M. Keas case  
case 14 - (archd.)

certified to by A. A. Boyles, J.P.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

R. B. McAdams  
for Cherokee citizenship.

By John B. Dean EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned R. B. McAdams your petitioner, makes this  
his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee  
Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts  
for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That James McAdams is the son of one James McAdams and the son of one James McAdams and the son of one James McAdams who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That.....name and the name.....of said ancestor.....should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this.....two.....application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 43 years; that his postoffice address is Medea and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand at Polleguoch  
this, the 13 day of August, A. D., 1896

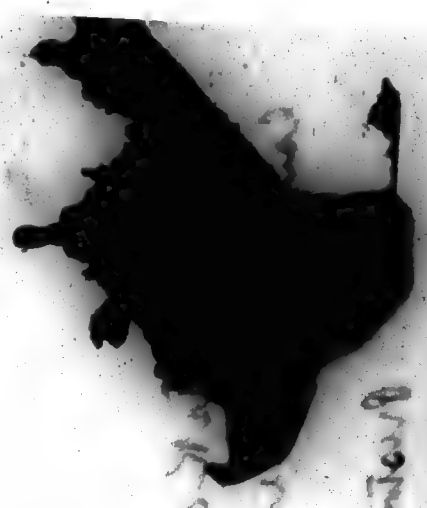
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Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
*Cheltenham S. D.*  
 this, the *13* day of *August*  
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# AFFIDAVIT.

State of Arkansas  
 County of Sevier )  
 SS.

of Preston B. McAdams claimant for citizenship  
 in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
 Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me H. L. Cross  
a Notary Public within and for the County of Sevier State of Arkansas aforementioned, duly authorized  
 to administer oaths Talitha McNeal to me personally  
 well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
 deposes and says: My name is Talitha McNeal; my age is 74  
 years. My post-office address is Benionville Arkansas  
 I am a citizen by occupation;

I am a citizen of the County of Sevier, State of Arkansas  
 And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

Preston B. McAdams is a grand son of  
Delila McAdams who was a daughter  
of William Griffith. Preston B. McAdams  
was born about the fall of 1851  
The said William Griffith was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood

Witness my hand  
M. L. Hood,  
D. L. Cross.

Talitha McNeal  
 mark

Subscribed to by mark and sworn  
 to before me a Notary Public for  
 the State of Arkansas on this the 20 day of  
August 1896.  
H. L. Cross  
Notary Public  
My commission expires Jan 23 1899.

Nation's No. 14

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

Preston B. Meadows

(Circuit Court, District of Columbia)

**Demurrer and Answer.**

Md Sept 21/96

Am J. C. M. J.

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*P. D. Meadams -*  
*(Respondent and Father of the Nation)*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *14*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*James Meadams*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Answer.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. Adair Ex-secy*  
*John L. Adair*  
John L. Adair, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*26* day of *Aug* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



End

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State of Ill }  
County of Wayne } St

Now on this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of  
Aug 1896 Person only appeared  
before me Harvey Lee  
a Notary Public in and for  
Said County and State  
Mary F Meddow who being duly  
sworn depose and say that she  
has this day Delivered a true  
copy of her application and  
Evidence in her claim as  
to Being a Cherokee by  
Blood and Decent to the  
Chief of the Cherokee Nation

P F Blackburn Mary F ~~Meddow~~  
<sup>in mark</sup>

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me a Notary Public this 15<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1896

Harvey Lee  
Notary Public



To the Honorable Henry J. Tamm  
and others composing the commission  
to the five tribes  
of the Blotum Mary F. Meddow  
would state and show from  
the proof submitted to the  
commission that she is a Cherokee  
by Decent and Blood having  
been Born in Marion Co. State of Ills  
on -- Day of -- 1. Her Father's  
name William Foster her Mother's  
name Susan O. Foster

that I now reside in Marion  
Co. Ills and have resided there 35  
years. She avers these facts  
can be established of the commission  
under such rules and regulations  
as it may prescribe and she further  
avers that these facts being  
proved she is entitled to  
be judged under the law of the  
congress of the united States  
and the treaty of such nation  
with the united States a citizen  
of such nation with all the  
rights privileges in such nation  
wherefore she herewith respectfully  
submits to the commission  
of the honorable commissioners  
such proof and on the hearing

be adjudged entitled to such  
citizenship and her name be  
placed upon the proper  
role as a citizen of such nation  
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Mary F. Meddow

State of Ill. }  
County of Wayne } S.S.

Now on this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of  
August 1896 Personally appeared before  
me Harvey Lee a Notary Public  
for said County and State

Mary F. Meddow, who being duly  
sworn upon her oath state that  
the facts set forth in the foregoing  
petition are correct and true

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1896

Harvey Lee  
Notary Public





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Nation's No. 190  
Commission's No.  
In re Application of

Mary F. Meador.

Demurrer and Answer.

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKenno, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mary A. Meddow*

Nation's No. *190*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that: *William Foster*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *is* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. Q. Q. Q.*  
*et. al.*

*S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation*  
*By Metabing Hastings, Secretary*

*S. H. Mayes* having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *25* day of *Aug.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Application for Enrollment

To the Honorable Henry J. James Frank  
C. Armstrong Archibald S. McKimmon  
James B. Cabinas and Alisandro B. Mangum  
United States commissioners authorized  
by an act of Congress of June 4 1896  
to hereon determine claims for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation

Gentlemen

The undersigned here Petitioner  
Mary F. Meddler for and on behalf  
of herself and heirs this day make  
this her application to you for the purpose  
of being placed on the revised roll  
of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled  
to share in the distribution of funds and  
allotments of land in Cherokee Nation  
by virtue of their Cherokee blood  
and I herewith submit the Affidavits  
of John Ross Exhibit (1) Thomas F. Gayton  
Ex (B) Richard D. Eddings Ex (C) James  
B. Eddings Ex (D) James B. Eddings Ex (E)  
Samuel Hill (1) Joseph Allery Ex (F)  
Andrew Eddings Ex (G) Andrew Eddings  
Ex (H) abstract of Dave Weemers Family  
Ex (I) Samuel P. Hill Ex (J) See enclosure  
Miss Elizey J. Mobery  
in support of said claim and respectfully  
await the time when her application shall be  
heard and tried Respectfully submit  
Mary F. Meddler



No. 256  
 Mary F. Medden  
 Chance variation

Mary F. Medden  
 Susan Smith  
 Jennie Medden  
 Anna  
 Nell  
 Julia  
 Julia  
 Jessie  
 Julia  
 Charles

35 Daughters of  
 18 Daughters of  
 15 Daughters of  
 12 Daughters of  
 10 Daughters of  
 8 and great  
 7 granddaughters  
 3 great  
 2 recognized  
 children as

Aug 28 1896  
 Wm. M. Medden  
 Com.



Enrollment of Family with  
relationships attached as follows

Names	age	Relationship
Mary F Meddler	33	Daughter of Susan
Arthur Smith ✓		to Foster grand
Genro Meddler	18	daughter of Francis
Noria ---	15	Blackburn grate grand
Will ---	12	daughter of Elizabeth
Delia ---	10	Eddings the weaver
Bekia ---	8	and grate grate
grocie ---	7	granddaughter of
John ---	5	Dave weaver a
Charles ---	2	recognised Cherokee
		Indian as shown
		on the roll of 1891

No. 256  
Mary F. Meddler  
Cherokee Nation

Dec. 28, 1896  
A. J. McKinnon  
Carr

Belleville, Mo.

**End**

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Application For Enrollment  
To the Honorable Henry G. Taylor  
Frank C. Armstrong Archibald  
McKenan Thomas B. Cabnan  
and Alexander B. Montgomery  
United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress  
of June 4 1896 here and  
determine claims for citizenship  
in the Cherokee nation  
Gentlemen

The undersigned you Petitioner  
William Brown for and on  
behalf of himself and ~~heirs~~  
and heirs this day makes this  
application to you for the purpose  
of being placed on the ~~revised~~  
role of Cherokee Indians and  
of those entitled to share in the  
distribution of funds and allotment  
of land in Cherokee nation by  
virtue of the Cherokee Blood and  
I herewith submit the

Affidavits of  
John Ross Exhibit A Thomas G. Taylor  
E+(B) Richard D. Eddings E+(C)  
James B. Eddings E+(D) James B. Eddings  
E+(E) Samuel Hill G. Joseph Alsup  
E+(F) Andrew Eddings

E+(9) Andrew Eddings E+(9) abstract  
 of Dave weavers family E (9) Samuel  
 P Hill E+(9) See enclosed his Eddings  
 of Maberry

in support of said claim  
 and respectfully await the time  
 when his application shall be  
 heard and tried

Respectfully Submit  
 Enrollment of Family with  
 relationships attached as follows

Names	yr	Relationship
William Brown	99	Son of Jane
Wife Evaline		Brown grand son
Mary Brown	12	of Francis Blackman
Elmer	11	and grate grand son
Murtal	9	of Elizabeth Eddings
William Jr	5	See Weaver and
Elly	4	grate grate grandson
Killy	2	of Dave Weaver a
		recognised Cherokee
		Indian as shown
		on the roll of 1835+



To the Honorable Henry J. Tawes  
and other commissioners  
to the five tribes you

Petitioner William Brown  
would state and show from  
the proof submitted to the  
commission that he is a Cherokee  
by Decent and Blood having  
him born in Marion Co. St of Ill  
on ——— Day of ——— 1869 his Father's  
name Gabe Brown his mother's  
name Jane Brown

that I reside in Marion  
Co Ill and have resided there 33  
years and he avers these facts  
can be established of the commission  
under such rules and regulations  
as it may prescribe and he further  
avers that this fact being  
proved he is entitled to  
be adjudged under the law of the  
congress of the united States  
on the Treaty of such nation  
with the united States a citizen  
of such nation with all the  
rights privileges in such nation  
wherefore to the commission  
of the honorable commissioners  
such proof and on the hearing  
be adjudged entitled to such



citizenship and his name be  
placed upon the proper  
role as a citizen of such nation  
Signed

William Brown

State of Ill.  
County of Wayne } SS

Now on this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of  
August 1886 Personally appeared before  
me Harvey Lee a Notary Public  
for said County and State  
William Brown, who being duly  
sworn upon his oath state that  
the facts set forth in the foregoing  
petition are correct and true  
Subscribed and sworn to before  
me the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1886

Harvey Lee  
Notary public

No. 257.  
William Brown  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 28, 1896  
R. D. McKinnon,  
Clerk.

Merian Co.  
Ill.



State of Ill. )  
County of Wayne ) 1896

Now on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of  
Aug 1896 Personally appeared before  
me Harvey Lee a Notary Public  
in and for said county an State  
William Brown who being duly  
sworn depose and say that he has  
this day delivered a true copy of  
his application and evidence in his  
claim as to being a Cherokee  
by Blood and Decent to the chief  
of the Cherokee Nation

P. F. Blockhorn William Brown

Subscribed and sworn before me this  
15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

Harvey Lee  
Notary Public



He and to the best of his knowledge and belief  
 that the master contained in the foregoing record  
 is true and correct  
 Having fully answered your resolution as to the facts presented  
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Your obedient servant,  
 Wm. H. Brown, Clerk of the Court

Nation's No. 194  
 Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 In re Application of  
William Brown

**Demurrer and Answer.**  
 Filed Sept 2, 96.  
 Am fac way reg.

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Court, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Court.  
 In the matter of application of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

V. B. Montgomery, Commissioners  
 Before the Honorable Henry J. Davis, Frank C. Vincent, A. S. McKenna, T. B. Carpenter and

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

William Brown

Nation's No. 194

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant..... entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claims to derive..... right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Dair  
Ex. Surg. C. N.

S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief C. N.  
By Hastings Hastings & Dair

S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the.....

John L. Dair  
29 day of Aug. 1896.  
D. J. Ball

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**End**



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No. ~~208~~ <sup>208</sup>

Spencer & Chambers  
v.  
Charles Watson

Filed Aug. 27-26.

At the January term.

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S. H. H. H. H. H.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TAHEQUAN, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Aug. 18

1896

Received from

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

✓ 15 applications.  
✓ 15 pages of Affidavits.

certified to by.

L. A. Boyer, Jr. P.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes Commission in support of the claim of \_\_\_\_\_

for Cherokee citizenship.

to Chambers, et al

By

John L. Davis

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY



# Lawyer's Brief.

Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
August 1896.

Before the Honorable - "The Dawes  
Commission" sitting at Vinita, Ind. Terr.,  
in the hearing and determining of  
claims for Indian citizenship in the  
respective five civilized tribes of the  
Indian Territory.

In the cases of -	
Spencer Chambers	
Portue Chambers	
Gusta Chambers	
Bark Chambers	
Thomas. J. Chambers	
Margant Chambers	
Alice Chambers	
M. A. Chambers	
Leiah Chambers	
J. E. Chambers	
P. B. Chambers	
Maud Hipp	
Lillie. A. Willett	
My back is in	
Mellie Stripling	
<sup>versus</sup>	
The Cherokee Nation.	Claims for Cherokee Indian citizenship.

The claimants as Plaintiffs in the

above entitled cause submit here -  
with their fifteen (15) respective ap-  
- plications, verified under oath, and  
the affidavits of the following named  
witnesses in support of their respective  
claims to wit:

George. W. Vann

John Ross

together with their three (3) affida-  
- vits of identification of said plain-  
- tiffs.

Taking the testimony of all the above  
named witnesses in detail the plain-  
- tiffs offer in behalf of their claims  
the affidavits of

1<sup>st</sup> Witness

George. W. Vann, testifies that he is  
well acquainted with the Plaintiff-  
Spencer Chambers, and his fore-parents  
and that they were of Cherokee blood,  
that he had an extensive acquaintance  
with the Cherokee Indians generally,  
back in the old Cherokee Nation, and  
knows the facts he has sworn to be  
true.

2<sup>nd</sup> Witness

John Ross' evidence fully corrob-  
- orates the evidence of George. W. Vann,  
i.e. that the Plaintiffs were Cherokees  
by blood, and were always recognized

as such in the community where  
they lived, and that he knew them in  
South Carolina.

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The affidavits of J. K. Millett and  
Spencer Chambers fully identify the  
claimants as descendants of Launch  
Chambers, who was a Cherokee by blood.

In view of all the facts placed  
herewith - properly authenticated -  
before your Honorable body, we  
ask that the Plaintiffs, respectively,  
be accorded all the rights and priv-  
ileges accorded to Cherokee Indian  
Citizens.



agreeable to all the Cherokee treaties with the United States government, all the census made by the United States government, of Cherokee Indians by blood citizens, and all such census of that class of Cherokees, made by the Cherokee Indian authorities, for the purpose of payment of per capita money, as an inherent right, and all precedents established and of public official record by said Cherokee Indian government, through its council (legislature) branch and special commissions, the latter the creature of such council, determining the rights to Cherokee Indian citizenship of a Cherokee Indian, requiring proof satisfactory as to the fact of claimants lineal descent from a known Cherokee Indian by blood ancestor, either male or female, including the public official records of said Cherokee Indian government of file in the Executive Department of the Cherokee Nation, at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, evidencing the fact of many hundreds of Cherokee Indians having in the years 1817-19 voluntarily taken reservations of Cherokee Indian lands, in the Cherokee Nation, east of the Mississippi river, in lieu of, and as payment in full of all their respective right, title and interest in, and to, all lands, and all other possessions of the Cherokee Nation of people, such individual Cherokee Indians by their respective free and voluntary act, sold, disposed and bartered their birthright, thereby forever quit-claiming any further right, title, and interest in, and to, any and all the lands, property and whatsoever possessions, of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

There may also be cited, in this connection, alike public official record of reservees, to about the number of thirty (30) families, or what was called, and commonly known, as the "Neutral Land," and notwithstanding that all such reservees received, and enjoyed the full benefits of their selection and election, the greater number of them, in time, wended their way westward to, and joined their Cherokee brethren in, the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, where, with open arms and a welcome greeting, all such were again received into full membership of the tribe, without price or condition, while today it is perhaps doubtful whether any of the heads of families of such reservees survive, yet there can be found hundreds of their descendants, enjoying all the full rights and benefits of Cherokee Indian citizenship—and why?—for the very, one prominent, reason that they are Cherokee Indians by blood, lineal descendants from a Cherokee Indian by blood ancestor, who was formerly an acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. The title to such reservations never having reverted, but have ever remained unquestioned, and are today perfect, thus conclusively showing that it has been the one unvarying rule and practice, in the history of the Cherokee Indian government, by and through the operation of all its departments and branches, the proof sufficiently establishing the fact of the Cherokee Indian blood of the claimant and petitioner, has always been accepted by the Cherokee authority as ample and satisfactory reasons and grounds to grant and acknowledge the full unreserved and unrestricted rights to the enjoyment and benefits of Cherokee Indian citizenship, notably, (and were the Cherokee public records easy of access, other and similar cases might be mentioned) the case of ..... a nephew of Hon. I. A. Scales of Webber Falls, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, may be cited, as having been heard before the Cherokee "commission on citizenship," composed of Hon. John Thompson Adair, deceased, chairman; Hon. Wm. P. Ross, deceased, and Hon. D. W. Lipe, surviving. About the year 1888 this commission, being the creature of the Cherokee National Council, and for which commission the legislative department of the Cherokee Indian government had framed and dictated rules whereby forbidding that any claimant be admitted to Cherokee citizenship, no matter how positive and pointed the proof of Cherokee Indian blood might be, unless the name of one, or more, of the claimant's Cherokee Indian by blood ancestors, should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokee Indians by blood, of the years 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852.

The said claimant did furnish to said commission proof positive to the fact of his Cherokee Indian blood, but, none of the names of any of his Cherokee Indian by blood ancestors were found to appear on any of said census rolls, thereupon the commission's decision being in consequence adverse to the claimant, and denying him the right of citizenship sought, a certified transcript of the proceedings of the commission, had in the case was made, and at the convening of the next regular session of the Cherokee National Council, the said claimant presented his application for recognition, together with said transcript proof in support thereof, to the said council, and without delay or hesitancy, the council granted his petition, and the Principal Chief, having no objections to ~~the~~ approved the act: all on the one only ground and plea for cause of the Cherokee Indian blood of the claimant.

The said council, upon its own authority, derived by operation of the constitution of the Cherokee Nation, to admit or re-admit at will, any person or persons to Cherokee citizenship, has never, in any instance, in the case of application for Cherokee citizenship by the claimant alleging his right by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, and coming directly before that authority, made it a condition and requirement, that in order to be entitled to the rights of Cherokee Indian citizenship, that the names of Cherokee Indian ancestor or ancestors of the claimant, must be found to appear on the said census rolls of the years 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852, or on any other census rolls, and no such claimants having ever, by said council, for causes and reasons, that the names of such ancestor or ancestors did not so appear, been denied the granting of their prayer in such petition.

And again, the said council at various times empowered and required the Supreme Court of the Cherokee Nation, and its individual members, viz: Hon. Riley Keys, deceased, chief justice; Hon. Robert Daniels, deceased, associate justice, and Hon. John Vann, deceased, associate justice, to investigate, and to reinvestigate certain claims for Cherokee Indian citizenship, and in which special authorizing act, no rules or guide including any of the said census rolls of 1835, 1848, 1851-52 were laid down for the said Supreme Court or its separate judges, to govern and control them in such investigation, findings and decisions. But all such cases to be so heard, were upon the fact of Cherokee Indian blood of the claimant. And again, the said council at various times did create, authorize and empower certain commissions, in addition to the one already mentioned, and designated, "Commissions on Citizenship," and delegating to such commissions its (the said council) power and authority to hear the petitions of claimants for admission to Cherokee citizenship, to pass upon and determine such claims, without reference to any census rolls, but solely and alone upon the fact of the claimant being of Cherokee Indian blood, derived from a Cherokee Indian ancestor, who had been an acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. Such said "commissions" were commonly called and generally known, respectively, as follows, to wit: The "Chambers" Commission, The "Spears" Commission and "Young Puppy" Commission. And there is an entire absence of anything in the law governing their procedure, or any other Cherokee law, that could be even on a strained construction claimed to point to any other condition or requirement of the claimants, other than to satisfy the commission on the one only point in issue and that, that of the Cherokee Indian blood, and no matter how remote the ancestor of the claimant.

One other matter may properly be mentioned in connection with the subject at issue, touching the manner of the Cherokee Indian government treatment in such cases of extending to absent Cherokee Indians by blood the right of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, and is this, that, as far as is obtainable from the most trustworthy and reliable sources, there were perhaps as many as two thousand (2,000) persons, Cherokee Indians by blood, of the states of North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia together, who, upon learning that the United States officials were in their country taking the census of the Cherokees, fearing that the object of such enrollment meant their removal from the then, their beloved country, peaceful and happy homes, and apprehensive of what to them the dreaded evil, eluded the census takers by fleeing to the dense forests and mountain wilds, some also seeking refuge in the state of Kentucky, thereby evading enrollment, and in consequence the large number of Cherokees, the names of whose ancestors do not appear on either of the said rolls of 1835 or 1848, (the rolls of 1851 and 1852 not being a roll of the general census of Cherokee Indians by blood, but only of that class known as "Old Settler Cherokees," and so designated from the act of their early removal west,) and it is a well established fact, not denied, but admitted and acknowledged by the Cherokees in their unwritten history, that all such Cherokee Indians by blood, not having been enrolled upon the said census of 1835 and 1848, returning from their voluntary temporary banishment, and hiding, were ever after granted and accorded the same rights and privileges of tribal citizenship as ever before, and that descendants have never been discriminated against on account of the absence of the names of their ancestors on said rolls, except as referred to before in the case of "Adair" Commission on Citizenship, and which authority, in deciding favorably to any claimant having presented satisfactory proof, that he was a lineal descendant from a Cherokee Indian by blood ancestor, whose name appearing on said rolls, agreeable to such decision, admitting him to all the rights and privileges enjoyed by Cherokee Indians by blood citizens, such claimant was virtually given such favorable decision on account of the Cherokee Indian blood, derived from such alleged ancestor, and, so far as known, and the Cherokee Indian government official records show, the Cherokee authorities have, in all their history, made but the one, and only exception from the rule and practice of requiring the test of full citizenship to be, Cherokee Indian by blood, (save and except always, as regards the white adopted, the Delawares and Shawnees, and those of African descent, all of which classes of citizens respectively, coming under special statutory law, special compact and treaty stipulations) and was, in the case of Rev. Evans Jones and his family, white citizens of the United States, who had been a Baptist missionary for many years among, and greatly admired by, the Cherokee people.

As will be observed, the testimony submitted in this case by the claimant as the plaintiff is in affidavit form, and while EX PARTE, is nevertheless in one of the forms referred to by your honorable commission, as admissible as evidence before you, besides, the official records of the Cherokee Nation, the defendant in this case, will afford abundant and undoubted proof, showing that her authorities, the Cherokee National Council, the Cherokee Supreme Court and the Cherokee commissions on citizenship, received and accepted this same form of documentary evidence in nine out of every ten cases of the many hundreds claims for citizenship presented and acted upon, and upon which form of proof in the main, the majority of those admitted to Cherokee citizenship had relied for the strength of their claim.

Therefore, it must be believed that your honorable commission will not, in passing upon the form of the evidence offered, recede from the very lines the Cherokee Nation has ever practiced and made a well established precedent of, but that you will adhere to, and be governed by, the said defendant's own acknowledgments and admissions by practice, as to "form of evidence" heretofore satisfactory and not objectionable to the defendant, and which form, coming clearly within the provisions of the law of the congress of the United States, creating and empowering your honorable commission, to wit:

" . . . That, in the determining of all such applications, said commission shall respect all laws of the several nations or tribes, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States, and all treaties with either of said nations or tribes, and shall give due force and effect to all the rolls, usages and customs of said nations or tribes."

Tahlequah, I. T.  
August, 1896.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rasmus O. Shornley  
Attorneys for Plaintiffs



Spencer Chantler

Chantler



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Spencer Chambers your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of Louise Chambers and the son of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the son of one \_\_\_\_\_ who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That \_\_\_\_\_ name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 57 years; that his postoffice address is Princeton, N.C. and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Angie Chambers	F	17	Daughter	
2	Belvaland "	M	12	Son	
<div></div>					

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, I.T. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: Spencer Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah, I.T.

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 1896

[SEAL]

may be am. by Jan. 16-99. OK

W. H. Thompson  
Notary Public  
Wortham Dist. & Co.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:  
The undersigned George C. Chubb

The undersigned George Chambers of the Cherokee Indian Territory: your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one James E. Chamber and the grand daughter of one Samuel Chamber and the great grand daughter of one \_\_\_\_\_ who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a \_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee Indian \_\_\_\_\_ by blood and duly acknowledged member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That \_\_\_\_\_

That..... name and the name..... of said ancestor..... should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852. And your petitioner..... respectfully awaits the time this

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this 21 application for admission,  
together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.  
That the age of your petitioner is 21

That the age of your petitioner is 21 years; that her address is Summit Tex and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tokequal, D. T.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.  
Attest:

**Attest:**

Gertie Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

my lawn 4 Jan 16-95

O.K.

Miss. Hummel.  
History Public  
Northern Dist. & P.



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:  
The undersigned, Gusta Chum

The undersigned Gust J. Chambers Cherokee Indian Territory:  
her application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a  
 Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee  
 Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts  
 for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Jesse E. Chamberlain and the grand daughter of one Louise Chamberlain and the daughter of one who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That.....name and the name.....of said ancestor.....should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852. And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 22 years; that her postoffice address is Burnsides Tex and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Rollingford N.H.  
this, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D., 1896

**Attest:**

Gusta Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
*Pahquah* *J.R.*  
 this, the *15* day of *August*

My home of Jan 16-99

Wm. H. Browning  
Victory Public  
Housten Dist. B. T.



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

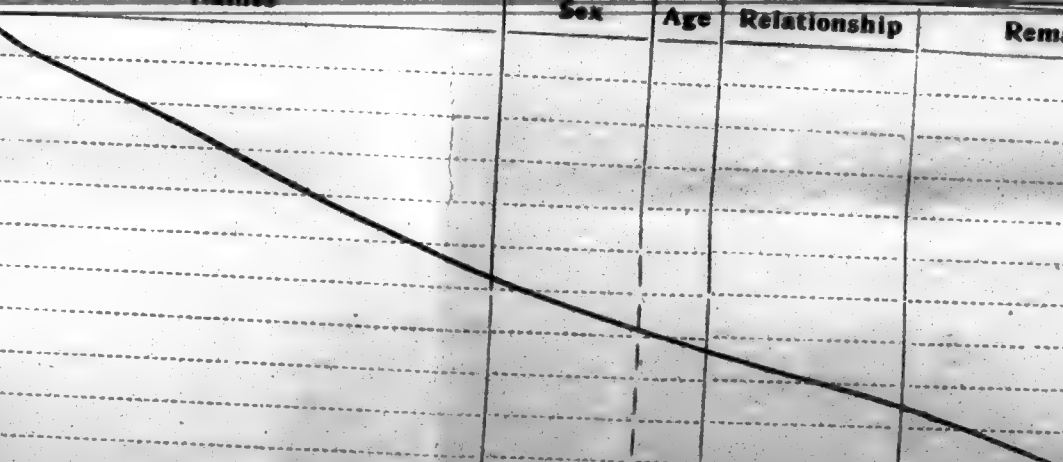
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 \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a \_\_\_\_\_ of one \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from  
 whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee  
 Nation, Indian Territory.

That.....name and the name.....of said ancestor.....should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 60 years; that his address is Etha Ala- and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
					

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Bellevue S.D.  
this, the 15 day of August, A.D., 1896

**Attest:**

Barak Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Palmer  
 this, the 11 day of August

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Wm. B. Kromley  
National Public  
Northern Dist. O.T.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the **DAWES COMMISSION**, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Thomas S. Chambers of Cherokee, Indian Territory:  
his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of Laurel Chamber and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
\_\_\_\_\_ who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
Cherokee Indian \_\_\_\_\_ by blood and duly acknowledged member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from  
whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory.

That..... name and the name..... of said ancestor..... should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner..... respectfully awaits the time this.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this 11th application for admission,  
together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.  
That the age of your petitioner is 11 1/2

That the age of your petitioner is 46 years; that his address is Bullard 134 and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
✓	Roxie Chambers	F	16	Daughter	
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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Wollsworth D.T.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896  
Attest: Thomas S. Chambers

Attest:

Thomas S Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
*Indiquat* *J.D.*  
 this, the *15* day of *August*  
*1896* A. D., 189*6*

this, the 115 day of August  
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W. B. Thompson

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in Dist D.T.

OK

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Walter Stimpert your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Thomas S. Chumley and the grand daughter of one James Chumley and the daughter of one James Chumley who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That..... name and the name..... of said ancestor..... should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 24 years; that he address is Bullard Tex and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
	writing for children				

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Bellevue, N.Y.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896

**Attest:**

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Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah, I.D.  
this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1896 A. D., 1896

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OK

A. D., 1896  
W. H. Thorneby  
Notary Public  
Harrison Dist. & P.



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:  
The undersigned *Wm. A. D. ...*

The undersigned, Margaret Chambers, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:  
her application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a  
 Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee  
 Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts  
 for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That *she* is the daughter of one *Thomas V. Chambers* and the grand daughter of one *Lowest Chambers* and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one \_\_\_\_\_ who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a \_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee Indian \_\_\_\_\_ by blood and duly acknowledged member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom *she* derived *her* Cherokee Indian blood, entitling *her* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That ..... name and the name ..... of said ancestor ..... should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner ..... respectfully awaits the time this

That the age of your petitioner is 25 years; that her postoffice address is Bullard Tex and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand at Polkovich S.T.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896  
Attest:

**Attest:**

Margaret Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

this, the 15 day of August  
A. D., 1896

A. D., 189. ~~6~~

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A. D. 1896  
North Carolina  
Notary Public  
Washington Dist. S.T.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Alice Chambers, your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That ~~she~~ is the daughter of one Spence Chamber and the grand daughter of one Joseph Chamber and the daughter of one ----- who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a ----- Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That.....name and the name.....of said ancestor.....should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner.....respectfully avers that.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this his.....application for admission,  
together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 26 years; that her postoffice address is Winwood Pt and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Philadelphia D. C.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D. 1896.

**Attest:**

Alice Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah L.T.  
this, the 15 day of August  
A. D., 1896

My dear Mr. Jan. 16-99.

OK

A. D., 1896  
M. S. Johnson  
Notary Public  
Western Dist. Ct.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Lillis A. Willott, your petitioner, makes this her application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
Spencer Chapman and the groom's daughter \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
Louise Chomton and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one  
\_\_\_\_\_, who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a \_\_\_\_\_  
Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from  
whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory.

That ..... name and the name ..... of said ancestor ..... should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this.....application for admission,  
together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 22 years; that her postoffice address is Winst. Fla. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Burford W. Willott	M	3	Son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, D. C.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896  
Attest: Lillie M. H. H. H.

**Attest:**

Lillie B. Willett

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Palmyra St.  
 this, the 15 day of August  
1896 A. D., 1896

My term - 4 Jan - 16<sup>th</sup> - 99

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To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Skylark Willet your petitioner, makes this her application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That Dr. Spencer Chamberlain is the daughter of one  
Samuel Chamberlain and the grand daughter of one  
Samuel Chamberlain and the daughter of one  
Samuel Chamberlain who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a

Cherokee Indian.....by blood and duly acknowledged member.....of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That ..... name and the name ..... of said ancestor ..... should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner..... respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 20 years; that her postoffice address is Susie R. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Dalhousie N.S.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896

**Attest:**

Skylark Willett

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
*Wahkiakum Co. T.*  
 this, the *13* day of *August*  
 —, A. D., 189*6*

Mich. Bonding

Noting Public

Wentworth Dist. O.T.

## Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, M. A. Chambers your petitioner, makes this his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of one Jesse E. Chambers and the grand son of one Jonas Chambers and the son of one who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That his name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 27 years; that his postoffice address is Summit P.O. Mo and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Maryette M. Chambers	F	2	Son	
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In Witness Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, Ind. T. this, the 15th day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: M. A. Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah, Ind. T. this, the 15th day of August, A. D., 1896.

My Com. Ex. Jan. 16-99- O.K.

W. B. Hamilton  
Notary Public  
Northern Dist. Ind. T.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Wm. H. Chambers, your petitioner, makes this  
his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee  
Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts  
for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Louise Chambers and the and the of one and the of one who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That.....name and the name.....of said ancestor.....should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this.....application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 63 years; that her postoffice address is Fruitland Tex and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Chelquash, D.T.  
this, the 13- day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: *Dinah Chambers*

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

Wahkiakum Co. -  
this, the 15 day of August  
1896 A. D., 1896

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O.K.

A. D., 1896  
 N. Y. County  
 Nelson Public  
 North East Dist. S. D.



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned J. E. Chambers your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of one Louise Chambers and the son of one John Chambers who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That his name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 47 years; that his postoffice address is Summit Road and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	<u>John A. Chambers</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Son</u>	
2	<u>Van Chambers</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>Son</u>	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, I.T. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896

Attest:

J. E. Chambers

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah, I.T. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896

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W. S. Hornum  
Notary Public  
Wintona Dist. I.T.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned R. B. Chambers your petitioner, makes this his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of one Spencer Chamberlain and the grand daughter of one Samuel Chamberlain and the daughter of one who, your petitioner simply believes

Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That..... name and the name..... of said ancestor..... should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner..... respectfully awaits the time this.....

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time this.....*his*.....application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 28 years; that his postoffice address is Fruitland Pk - and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Jim Schaubert	M	4	Son	
2	Bern " "	"	2 1/2	"	
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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Wilmington D.C.  
this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: *P. B. Chambers*

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
*Palmerston D. T.*  
 this, the *15* day of *August*  
*1896* A.D., 189*6*

my loan. 4. Jan. 16-95

OK

Volcan Placid  
Northern Dist. of T.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Maud Hipp your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Spencer Chambers and the grand daughter of one Louise Chambers and the grand daughter of one Spencer Chambers who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That her name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 24 years; that her postoffice address is Sunset Bldg and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Asa Hipp	M	8	son	
2	Mattie "	F	6	daughter	
3	Birdie "	F	3	son	
4	Benjamin "	M	2	"	
5	Reuben "	"	1	"	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, I.T. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: Maud Hipp

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah, I.T. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

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W. H. Hummel  
Notary Public  
Worthen Dist. I.T.



Cherokee Nation

Sequoyah District

On the 11th day of

January 1893

Spencer Chambers

personally appeared before me

Notary Public and for well known

Geo W. Chambers

and I received the following affidavit

Affiant: Geo W. Chambers a citizen of

the Cherokee Nation and was well

acquainted with Mary Chambers who was

the wife of William Sanford who is the

mother of Bob Sanford who was the

father of Thos W Sanford and who

is the aunt of Lemish Chambers who is the

father of Spencer Chambers

I know that the fore parents of Spencer

Chambers married here in was of Cherokee blood

and are entitled to all the rights and privileges

as other Cherokees. Affiant further states

that he had an extensive acquaintance

with the Cherokee Indians back in

the old Nation and know the above

facts to be true from his own

personal knowledge

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 9th day of August A.D. 1893

J. O. K.

Mr. J. W. Chambers  
Notary Public

Tahlequah Dist.  
Cherokee Nation

Personally appeared  
before me A. M. Dammert Deputy Clerk  
of Tahlequah District Chv. Nat. John Ross  
who after being duly sworn according  
to law deposeth and sayeth I am 80  
years old and a Cherokee Indian by  
blood. I am a resident of Tahlequah  
District. My past office is Tahlequah D.C.  
I was personally acquainted with Mary  
Chambers who was the wife of Wm. Sanford  
who is the mother of Bess Sanford and  
who is the aunt of Samuel Chambers  
who is the father of Spencer Chambers.  
I know them to be Cherokees by blood -  
and were always recognized as such  
in the community where they lived.  
I knew them in the State of South  
Carolina. Their past office was  
Wallahalla S.C.

I would most respectfully ask that  
she and her descendants be admitted  
to all the rights and privileges  
including lands, moneys &c  
as other Cherokees by virtue of their  
blood according to the Constitution  
of the Cherokee Nation.

John<sup>his</sup> Ross  
witness

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of August 1883

A. M. Dammert  
Deputy Clerk  
Tahlequah D.C.

OK

# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America )  
Indian Territory ) SS.  
Horton District )

In the case of Stephen Chambers claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. B. Kennedy a Notary  
Public within and for the State of Ind. aforementioned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths J. K. Willitt to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is J. K. Willitt; my age is 23  
years: My post-office address is Sunset Tex  
I am a Man by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the United States

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with the above named  
applicant. Stephen Chambers. He is a  
brother to J. L. & Bork. Thomas J and Maria  
Chambers. And sons and daughters of Samuel  
Chambers

J. K. Willitt

Subscribed to and sworn before me this  
18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

my term ex. Jan. 16-99  
W. B. Kennedy  
Notary Public  
Horton Dist. O.T.

OK



Stephen Chambers  
Et. al.

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C. K.

# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America )  
Indian Territory ) SS.  
Wortham District )

In the case of Born 1872 Thomas S. and Denis Chambers claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W. H. Hamling a Notary  
Public within and for the State of Texas aforementioned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths. Spencer Chambers to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Spencer Chambers; my age is 52 -  
years: My post-office address is Pyattland Tex  
I am a farmer; I am a farmer by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the United States

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with the above named  
applicants. They are my brother and sister  
their names are Born 1872 Thomas S. and  
Denis Chambers. Spencer Chambers

Subscribed to and sworn before me  
this 18th day of August 1896

my com. & Jan 16-99.

W. H. Hamling  
Notary Public  
Wortham Dist. O.T.

OK

# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America

Indian Territory

Western District

SS.

In the case of Nellie Chipping & Margaret P.B. Chambers Alice Chambers Maud Hipp Gertrude Gusto Chambers Lilli & Skylene Willett claimant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me W.D. Kennedy a Notary Public within and for the State of Oklahoma aforenamed, duly authorized to administer oaths Spencer Chambers to me personally well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says: My name is Spencer Chambers my age is 52 years: My post-office address is Fruitland Tex I am a farmer by occupation;

I am a citizen of the United States

And affiant declares in relation to the above named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with above named applicants. They are my brothers children and my own children. M.A. & Gusto & Gertrude Chambers children of F.D. Chambers - Margaret Chambers and Nellie Chipping are children of F.D. Chambers - P.B. & Alice Chambers and Maud Hipp and Lilli Willett and Skylene Willett are my children - Spencer Chambers

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 18th day of August - 1896

My Comm. Ex. Jan 16-99.

W.D. Kennedy  
Notary Public  
Western Dist. O.T.

OK



Nation's No. 146

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

J. B. Chambers,  
et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

**FILED SEPT. 2 1896.**

**A. S. MCKENNON**

**COM 'R'**

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*J. B. Chambers et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *146*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *s are* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Samuel Chambers*

through whom the petitioner *s* claim to derive *their* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. Agair, Ex-Rec. By H. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation*  
S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *27* day of *Aug*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



No 281

Mary A. Swangerty & M  
v.s.

Cherokee Nation

Appeal Order of  
U.S. Court.

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## NOTICE.

United States of America,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

In the United States Court for said District.

In the matter of the application of  
**Mary A Swagerty et als**

enrolled as citizens of the **Cherokee** Nation.

TO THE **Commission to the five civilized tribes:**

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of

**Mary A. Swagerty, and children**

to be enrolled as citizens of the **Cherokee** Nation, from said  
**Commission**

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested  
by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a  
transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the  
depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original  
papers relating thereto.

Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the  
seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the **12th** day of  
**Dec, 1896.** A.D. 189

*John A. Springer* Clerk.

# CORRECTION



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to assure legibility and its image appears  
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Commission

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papers relating thereto.

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seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the **12th** day of  
**Dec, 1896.** A. D. 189

*James M. Springer* Clerk.



**End**

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No 282

Elizabeth Underdown & Co  
v.s.

Chewsee Nation

Appral Order of  
U.S. Court

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## NOTICE.

United States of America,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

In the United States Court for said District.

In the matter of the application of

Elizabeth Underdown et als

to be

enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

TO THE Commission to the five civilized tribes:

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of  
Elizabeth Underdown and Lena Sanders,

to be enrolled as citizens of the  
Commission

Cherokee

Nation, from said

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested  
by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a  
transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the  
depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original  
papers relating thereto.

Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the  
seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the 11th day of  
Dec. 1896. A.D. 189

*William M. Springer*

Clerk.

**End**





~~W. H. S. & Co~~ 283

A. O. Bolden & Co

vs.

Cherokee Nation

Appeal Order of  
U.S. Court

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## NOTICE.

United States of America,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

In the United States Court for said District.  
In the matter of the application of  
A. P. Belding et als  
to be  
enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

TO THE Commission to the five civilized tribes:

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of  
A. P. Belding, F. H. Belding, A. M. Belding, T. B. Hammock, Laura Brooks,  
and Bettie Stone,

to be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation, from said  
Commission

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested  
by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a  
transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the  
depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original  
papers relating thereto.

Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the  
seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the 14th  
Dec, 1896. A.D. 189

*W. M. Springer* Clerk.

**End**





No. 267.284

Ann Scott et al

vs  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 28. 1896,  
U.S. Supreme Court

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Rasmus Schormberg

**Citizenship Document Receipt.**

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TAHLEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY

Received from

*Rasmus and Ghormley (66ty)*

*Aug 26<sup>th</sup>* 1896

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

*Applications of Am Scott, Henry Scott and  
Ben Scott and evidence (8 pages)*

certified to by

*S. S. Boyles N. D.*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

*Above named persons*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*F. J. Boush  
Atty for Chas. H. H.*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.



Lawyer's Brief

Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Terr.,  
August, 1896.

Before the Honorable, "The Dawes  
Commission" sitting at Vinita, Ind. Terr.,  
in the hearing and determining of claims  
for Indian citizenship in the respective  
five civilized Tribes of the Indian Territory.

In the cases of  
Ann Scott  
Henry Scott  
Ben Scott  
versus  
The Cherokee Nation  
} Claims for  
Cherokee Indian  
Citizenship

Comes now the Plaintiffs in the above  
cited cause through their Attorneys,  
Rasmus & Thornley, and present their  
three (3) applications, and six (6) pages  
of testimony, in affidavit form, in  
support of their claims, and submit  
the same without argument.

Respectfully -  
Rasmus & Thornley  
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

# APPLICATION FOR CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable, the National Council of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.:

The undersigned Ann Scott

your petitioner, makes this application for re-admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the Constitution of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Pollie Scott and the Grand daughter of one Fannie Scott who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That her name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years 1835, 1848, 1851 and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for re-admission, together with the proof in support thereof, herewith submitted, shall be truly heard and passed upon in accordance with said Constitution, and the statutory laws of the Cherokee Nation, and the precedence established and of public record in such cases.

That the age of your petitioner is 72 years; that her postoffice address is Bonada, Lauderdale Co Miss and that her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

NO.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.	REMARKS.
1.	Ann Scott	Female	72	Mother	unmarried
2.	Melzora Scott	"	48	daughter	"
3.	Mallie K. Scott	"	35	"	"
4.	Paralee	"	52	"	"
5.	Alonso Ellis	Male	21	Grand Son	"
6.	Fannie Scott	Female	26	" daughter	"
7.	Birdie Melzora Scott	"	4	Grand daughter	"
8.	Virginia Scott	"	4	Grand daughter	"
9.	Emma Scott	"	4	Grand daughter	"
10.	Arthur Jackson Scott	Male	7	Grand Son	"
11.	Ann Scott	Female	4	Grand daughter	"
12.	Birdie Scott	"	"	"	"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at Livingston, Alabama this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1896.

ATTEST:

Ann Scott

C. B. Brackway

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Livingston, Alabama this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1896.

[SEAL]

O.K.

J. B. Travis

NOTARY OFFICER



JOHN P. MORTON & CO.  
INCORPORATED  
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

## Application for Cherokee Citizenship

To the Honorable, the National Council of the  
Cherokee Nation, Talequah, Ind. Ter.:

The undersigned Henry Scott, your  
petitioner, makes this his application  
for readmission to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation Indian Territory, as a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the Constitution of the Cherokee Nation  
and respectfully submits the following  
statement of facts for the grounds of  
his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of Ann Scott, the  
Grand Son of Oallie Scott, the great-grand  
son of Fannie Scott a half breed Cherokee  
Indian Woman, by blood and duly  
acknowledged member of the Cherokee  
tribe of Indians and from whom he  
derived his Cherokee Indian blood  
entitling him to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Indian Nation.

That the name of his ancestor should  
be found on the Census rolls taken and  
made of Cherokees East of the Mississippi  
River (Barth Co. Ga) in 1835, 1848, 1857.

And your petitioner respectfully  
awaits the time, this his application  
for readmission, together with the  
proof in support thereof herewith submitted,  
shall be truly heard and passed.



in accordance with the ~~proof~~ said  
Constitution, and the Statutory laws  
of the Cherokee Nation, and the precedents  
established and of public record in  
such cases.

That the age of your petitioner is  
47 years; That his post office is  
Whitfield Sumter County, Alabama.  
And that his family by virtue  
of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of  
the following named to wit:

No	Name	Sex	Age	Relationship
1	Henry Scott	m	47	Father
2	Eliza Scott	f	22	Wife
3	Paralee Scott	f	13	daughter by first wife David's son
4	Allen Scott	m	7 1/2	Son

In witness whereof I hereunto set  
my hand at ~~Livingston~~ Livingston, Alabama  
this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1846

Attest, C. J. Brockway

Henry Scott

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me at Livingston Ala  
this the 19<sup>th</sup> day August 1846  
J. C. Travis  
Notary Public

OK

JOHN P. MORTON & CO.  
INCORPORATED,  
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

## Application for Cherokee Citizenship

To the Honorable, the National Council  
of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.

The undersigned Ben Scott, your  
petitioner makes this his application for  
readmission to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation Indian Territory, as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the Constitution of the Cherokee Nation  
and respectfully submits the following  
statement of facts for the grounds of  
his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of Ann Scott, the  
grand son of Pollie Scott, the great-  
grand son of Fannie Scott a half  
breed Cherokee Indian woman by blood  
and duly acknowledged member of  
the Cherokee tribe of Indians and  
from whom he derived his Cherokee  
Indian blood, entitling him to  
citizenship in the Cherokee Indian Nation.

That the name of his ancestor  
should be found on the census rolls  
taken and made of Cherokees East  
of the Mississippi in (Burt Co Co) in 1848-1857.

And your petitioner respectfully  
awaits the time, this his application  
for readmission together with the  
proof in support thereof herewith.



Submitted, shall be truly heard  
and passed on in accordance  
with said Constitution, and the  
statutory laws of the Cherokee Nation,  
and the precedences established and  
of public record in such cases.

That the age of your petitioner is  
48 years; that his post-office  
address is Whitfield, Jackson County,  
Alabama. And that his family by  
virtue of Cherokee Indian blood  
consists of the following named,  
to wit:

No	Name	Sex	Age	Relationship
1	Ben Scott	M	48	Head of Family
2	Eliza Scott	F	52	Wife of Ben
3	Reed Scott	M	24	Son
4	Becky "	F	22	Daughter
5	Laborn "	M	19	Son
6	Docia Ann "	F	17	Daughter
7	Seaborn Scott	M	16	Son
8	Stick Scott	M	13	Son
9	Laska Scott	F	8	Daughter
10	Eddie Scott	F	5	"

In witness whereof I hereunto set my  
hand at Whitfield, Jackson Co, Alabama.

This the 20 day of August 1896  
Attest  
Ben Scott

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me at Whitfield Alabama  
This the 20 day of August 1896  
W Campbell  
J.P.

OK



Henry Scott

Application for Citizenship  
for readmission to Indian  
Territory.

To copy

United States of America,  
Sumter Co. Alabama ss.

In the case of Henry Scott claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before Cherokee Indian authority  
at Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory:

Personally came this day before me J. B. Groves a N.P. & Ex. Off.  
Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Sumter Alabama  
to administer oaths Ann Scott to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,

deposes and says: My name is Ann Scott  
my age is 72 years, my post office address is Bonada Landholder Co  
Mississippi, I am a farmer  
I am a citizen of the State of Mississippi by occupation,

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit:

Henry Scott is the son of Ann Scott  
the Grand Son of Ballie Scott, the great  
grand Son of Fannie Scott who was half  
blood Cherokee Indian woman and resided  
in Sumter County, Georgia about 1825.  
He was raised and lived all his life near  
Whitfield Sumter County, Alabama, he is  
now 47 years old - he has a wife name  
Ginee, and two children named Paralee and  
Allen. He is of medium size and  
looks almost like full blood Indian  
and is the son of affiant who knows  
he is of Cherokee Indian blood and for  
further proof refers to proof submitted with  
papers on Ann Scott's petition for  
said proof is affidavit executed & recorded  
in Probate Office of Sumter County, Alabama  
by William Drake in 1844. Showing that Ann Scott  
mother of Henry Scott the petitioner was Cherokee Indian  
by blood.

Sworn to & subscribed  
before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day  
August 1896  
J. B. Groves  
N.P. & Ex. Off.

Ann Scott  
test

OK

Ben Scott  
application for  
admission to Indian  
Territory Citizenship.



O.K.

United States of America  
Sawyer County, Alabama

In the case of Ben Scott claimant  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian  
Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood  
before Cherokee Indian authority at  
Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

Personally came this day before me  
J. L. Travis a t.p. & ex off Justice of  
the Peace, within and for writ in named  
State and County. He being duly authorized  
to administer oaths. Ann Scott to me  
personally well known to be reputable and  
entitled to credit, and who being by me  
first duly sworn according to law, deposes  
and says: My name is Ann Scott  
my age is 72 years, my Post-office  
address is Bonada, Lauderdale County,  
Mississippi, I am a farmer by  
occupation, I am a citizen of the  
State of Mississippi.

And affiant declares in relation to  
the above named case as follows:

Henry Scott is the son of Ann Scott  
the grand son of Pallie Scott, the  
great grand son of Famine Scott  
who was half blood <sup>Cherokee</sup> Indian woman  
said Famine Scott resided in Bush  
County Georgia about 1825. Affiant  
the mother of said Ben Scott was  
brought to Alabama about 1825 by

William Drake and his affidavit  
was executed and recorded in  
the Probate Office of Sumter County  
Alabama <sup>in 1844</sup> showing that said Ann Scott  
This affiant was brought from  
Burr County Ga with her mother  
Pallie Scott about 1825 and said  
recorded affidavit further shows  
that said Pallie Scott and Ann Scott  
were of Cherokee Indian blood and  
free. Said Wm Drake affidavit  
is filed with application of Ann Scott  
and is referred to in proof of  
this case.

Affiant further swears that said  
Ann Scott is of Cherokee Indian blood &  
direct descendant from Fannie Scott  
who resided in Burr County Ga  
in or about 1825, as will not  
doubt appear from Census rolls of  
Cherokee Indians.

The testimony in Henry Scott & Ann Scott  
application is referred to in support of  
this affidavit.

Ann <sup>the</sup> Scott  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to

before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day

August 1846

J. C. Davis

N.P. & Ex. Off. J.P.

O.K.



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Ann Scott

by: W. Travis a POP over off  
the Committee aforementioned duly auth

able and entitled to credit, and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,  
 My name is Am Scott  
 \_\_\_\_\_ years; my postoffice address is Baruda, South Dakota  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I am a Farmer

I am a Farmer by occupation.  
State of Mississippi, Landstate or  
res in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit:

I the petitioner Ann Scott the daughter of  
Pallie Scott who was the daughter of Fannie Scott  
a half blood Cherokee Indian - My mother Pallie  
Scott was brought to Alabama from Sand Springs Georgia when I was about  
two years old by William Drake, and a Certificate  
was made and recorded in the Probate Office  
~~Sand Springs~~<sup>in 1846</sup> Alabama, by said William Drake  
that my mother Pallie Scott and myself and  
children in 1844 that we were free people of  
Indian blood - a copy of said Certificate is  
hereto attached - My three children whose names  
are mentioned in said William Drake Certificate  
recorded in 1844 are dead namely Christopher, Alfred & Thomas  
all of whom are adults and have children - to wit:  
Ben Scott - son - 48 years old has wife Eliza + eight children  
Henry Scott - " 47 " " " " Grace + two  
Paralee Scott daughter 52 " " " " " " "  
Melzouri Scott " 49 " " " " " "  
Mollie " 36 " " " " " "

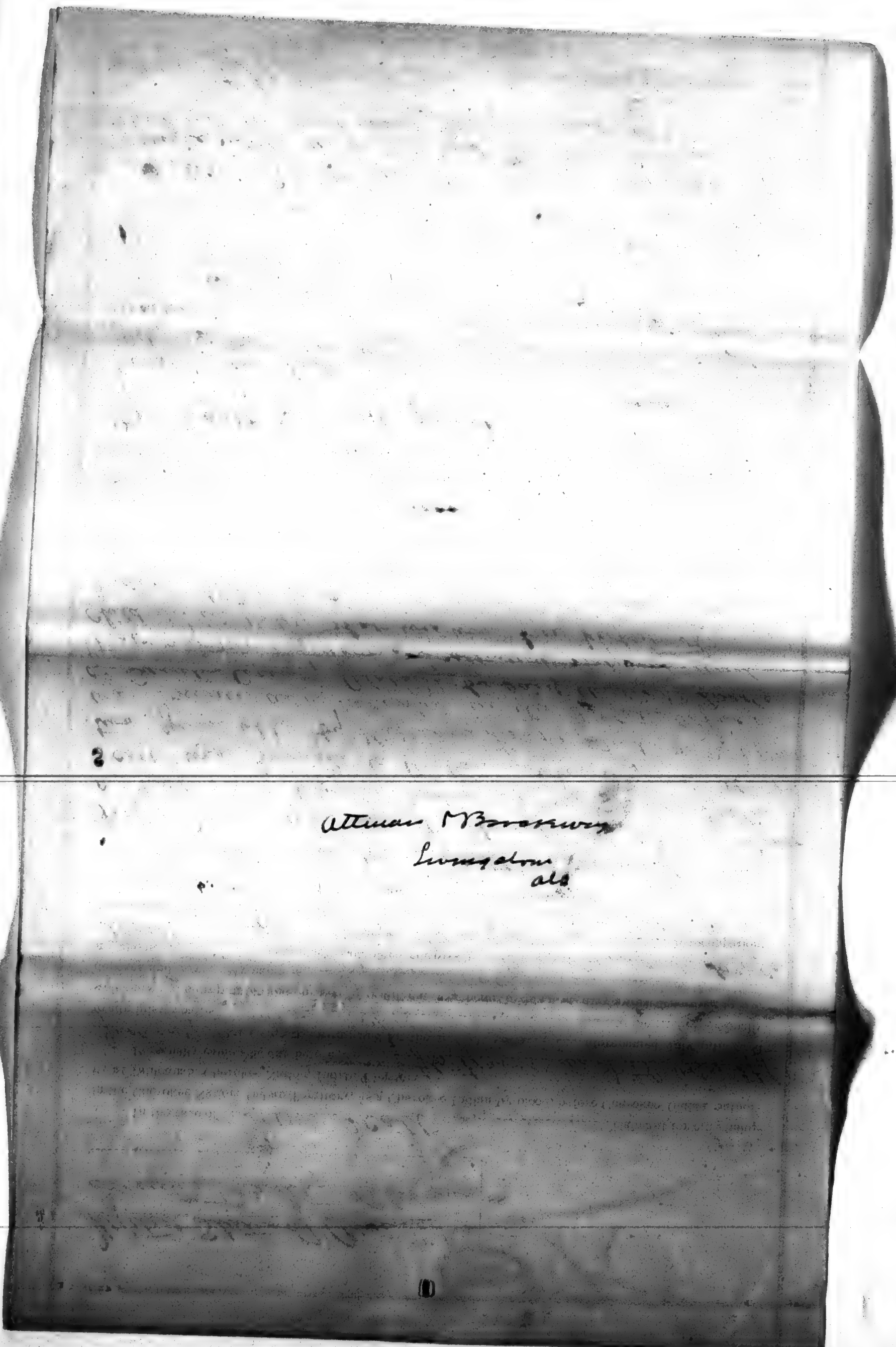
Ben Scott & Henry Scott with their families reside near Whitfield Gauch's County Alabama. The petition Ann Scott resides with her three daughters above mentioned near Bonada Lauderdale County Mississippi.

Ann Scott are the grand daughter of  
Fannie Scott a half breed Cherokee Indian woman  
who lived in Burk County, Georgia about - 1828.

Sent to Ed. Bates until before  
 me this day 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896  
 J. C. [Signature]  
 N. Y. N. 100.8.P.

Ann<sup>ie</sup> & Scott Sea





Atticus M. Brooks  
Livingston  
als

OK

Seaborn Scott and

Ann Scott

Free Negroes

Received & Recorded

13th July 1844

The State of Alabama,  
Sumter County.

I William Drake

of the State and County

aforsaid depose and

say that Seaborn Scott

a man color, is a free man; he is the  
son ~~Polly~~ Scott a free woman. Said  
Seaborn was born in Burke County,  
Georgia and that he has resided at my  
house from his boyhood to manhood  
and no person has any right to him  
whoever, he has resided in Alabama  
about nineteen years and is about twenty  
three years of age; of ordinary size, of  
light complexion, has the scar of a  
burn upon the breast. Scar occa-  
sioned by burning on each arm between  
the shoulder and elbow. Said Polly  
is about forty five years old, light  
complexion and is one fourth Indian,  
slow stature. Ann Scott daughter  
of said Polly, is also free, is about  
twenty one years old, small size woman  
light complexion and now has three  
children, first Christopher aged about  
four years old, yellow complexion;  
April aged about three years,  
yellow complexion; Thomas aged about  
eighteen months, yellow complexion.  
All free and live in Sumter County.  
Given under my hand and seal



this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D. 1844  
Shorn to & subscribed  
before me this 12<sup>th</sup> July 1844

Philip S. Glover J.P.

The State of Alabama,

Sumter County.

I Price Williams  
Clerk of the County  
Court of said County do hereby certify  
that Philip S. Glover whose certificate  
appears above signed by him in his own  
proper hand writing is & was at the  
time of signing the same an acting  
Justice of the Peace in and for said County  
duly commissioned & qualified & that all  
his official acts in that capacity are  
entitled to full faith & credit. As witness  
my hand & seal of office in Livingston  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1844

Seal

Attest Price Williams Clerk

The State of Alabama,  
Sumter County.

I, W. R. D. Loach, Judge of Probate in and for said  
County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is

a true and correct copy of an affidavit made by H. R.  
Drake, and also of the certificate thereto appended, as appears of record in  
my Office in Record of Deeds N. H. page 227.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affix the seal  
of said Probate Court at Livingston County of Sumter and  
State of Alabama. this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1846.

W. R. D. Loach

Judge of Probate  
Sumter County, Alabama.

Ann Scott's  
application

Ann Scott's



Having been answered, your request that we do not place a signature.

Wm Scott et als

Filed Sept 9-76.  
Attest  
J. J. [illegible]

10. 11. 1944

Commissio, a 700.  
Zusatz, a 700.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Ann Scott, Henry Scott*  
*Ann Scott*

Nation's No. *304*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Annus Scott*

*Annus Scott* through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

ANSWER.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*S. H. Mayes* Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation  
*John L. Adams* Ex. Secy. Cherokee Nation  
*S. H. Mayes*, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*25* day of *Aug.*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from Rasmus & Schormley (City) Aug 26 1896  
the following documents, to-wit: \_\_\_\_\_ copies of

Application of Mary J. Gray and  
affidavits (2 pages)

certified to by S. S. Boyles, N. P.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of \_\_\_\_\_

Mary J. Gray  
for Cherokee citizenship.

By F. J. Baudinich  
att'y for C. N.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Lawyer's Brief.

Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation I.T.  
August 1896.

Before the Honorable "The Dawes  
Commission", sitting at Winita Ind. Terr.,  
in the hearing and determining of  
claims for Indian citizenship in the  
respective five civilized Tribes of the  
Indian Territory.

In the Case of }  
Mary Jane Gray } Claim for Cherokee  
                  <sup>versus</sup> } Indian citizenship  
The Cherokee Nation }

Comes now the plaintiff in the above  
cited cause, and presents her appli-  
cation, and two (2) pages of testimony  
in affidavit form in support of her  
claim, and submits the same without  
argument.

Respectfully,  
Mary Jane Gray

By her Attorney,  
Rasmus & Thornley



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Mary J. Gray your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one John W. Nichols and the great daughter of one Wm. Nichols and the great grand daughter of one William Nichols who, your petitioner firmly believes, were Cherokee Indian, by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That no record of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 45 years; that her postoffice address is Vergerum, Ill. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Sarah R. Gray	F	16	Daughter	
2	Sammy D. "	"	14	"	
3	Albion M. "	"	16	"	
	Eliza A. "	"	6	"	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, Okla. this, the 19th day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest:  
Mary J. Zindler  
Chas. H. Holt

Mary Jane Gray  
Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah, Jackson Co. Okla.  
this, the 19th day of August,  
A. D., 1896.

OK Mary J. Zindler  
Notary Public

State of Texas  
County of Jackson

I Samuel Briggs of lawful age and a Resident of Jackson Co. Ill.  
do depose and say that I am well and personally acquainted with the  
Applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Ind. <sup>May J. Gray</sup> and Affiant  
Further says that he has <sup>been</sup> and is now well acquainted with the said  
Applicant May J. Gray and all the Parties whose names appear on  
said Application for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Ind. <sup>For</sup>  
and Affiant further states that from the Personal appearance and  
General Reputation of all the Parties to the said application that they  
have Cherokee and ~~Indian~~ <sup>Blood</sup> and are entitled to Citizenship in said  
Tribes and Affiant further states that he has no Interest in the  
Prosecution of the Claim to Citizenship of the said May J. Gray  
to Tribal Relations with the said Cherokee Tribes

Witness

Samuel Briggs

OK

Samuel Briggs

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of March 1894

D. Walker Notary Public

my commission Expires April 25th 1894

Affidavit of James P. [unclear]  
for  
Mary J. Gray

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No. 268  
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Mary J. Gray

Cherokee Nation

Mary J. Gray

Filed Aug. 28-1896

A. S. McKernan  
Clerk

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Repealed

Res. Am. Cherokee

State of Illinois }  
County of Jackson } 33

In the matter of an application  
for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation,  
Indian Territory made by Mary Jane Gray, person-  
ally came before me a Notary Public in and for the afore-  
said County and State, Urania Morgan, village of  
Vergennes, Jackson County, Illinois, who being duly sworn  
declares in relation to the aforesaid claim,

That she was well acquainted with the Grandfather  
of Mrs Mary Jane Gray about 40 years ago, and said  
William Nicols stated often, that he was half indian  
and did belong to Cherokee Tribe

Affiant further declares, that she has no interest,  
direct or indirect, in this claim and that she makes the  
above statement from personal knowledge and her Post-  
Office Address is: Vergennes, Jackson Co. Ills

Witness:

Moritz Zeidler  
Charles Holt

~~Urania~~ Morgan  
aged 68 years, old

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1896 and I hereby certify that the contents of the  
foregoing affidavit were fully made known and explained  
by me to the affiant before swearing thereto.

Moritz Zeidler  
Notary Public

J.K.





Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Mary E. Gary*

Nation's No. *308*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant... *is*... entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *William Nichols*

..... through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Answer

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. Adams, Ex-Sec.*  
*Cherokee Nation*

*S. H. Mayes, Prin. Chief C. N.*

*By Hutchings, Hastings & Boudrieux*  
attys.  
S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adams*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *29* day of *Aug*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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No. 269.  
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Sarah A. Ginder

Cherokee Nation

Feb. 28, 1896,

A. S. McClemon

Court

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Repealed

Ramon Oshornley

# Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TAHLEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY.

Received from

*Rasmus & Ghormley (City)*

1896

the following documents, to-wit:

*Applications of Sarah A. Hider and others  
ten (10) in all. And five (5) pages  
of evidence in support of same.*

certified to by

*D. D. Rogers, N. P.*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

*Sarah A. Hider et al*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*H. J. Bandiera*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Atty for Cherokee Nation,*





# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Sarah A. Grider your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Sarah Smith nee Sarah Hallymore nee and her husband David Smith nee and grand daughter of one Lewis Hallymore nee nee Lemoine on the maternal side and Tames Smith nee on the paternal side who, your petitioner firmly believes, were Cherokee Indian & by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That ~~the name of~~ the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852. And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time for

And your petitioner ~~and~~ respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 70 years; that her postoffice address is Scout Grove Ind. Pa. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

[illegible]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tallahassee Ind. Terr  
this, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D., 1896.

Attest: *S. J. Walker*  
*L. B. Bayles*

Sarah A. <sup>cher</sup>~~mark~~ Briden

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Washington Ind. Perry  
this, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July —  
A. D., 1896.

*J. S. Bayles* Notary Public  
Northern District of T.

**Commission Expires July 19th, 1899.**

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned James W. Brider your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one David Smith and the grand son of one David Smith and his grand son of one David Smith who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is forty seven (47) years; that his postoffice address is Sopah, Cherokee Co., Ind. Terr. and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
1.	William W. Brider	Male	16	Son -	
2.	Esther M. Brider	Female	9	Daughter	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah Ind. Terr. this, the 18th day of July, A. D., 1896.

Attest: S. J. Walker  
S. J. Boyles

James W. Brider  
Witness

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah Ind. Terr. this, the 18th day of July, A. D., 1896.



Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Eastern District, I.T.

Commission Expires July 18th, 1898.

OK



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:  
The undersigned *Robert H. McLaughlin*

The undersigned, John H. Miller, your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one James H. Briden and the grand son of one Sarah A. Briden and the great grand son of one Sarah Smith and her husband David Smith and the great grand son of Joseph Gallamore and his wife and father John Smith and no, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That ~~the name of~~ the name David and except that of his father and grandfather of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census  
Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.  
And your petitioner ~~now~~ respectfully awaits the time this

And your petitioner ~~now~~ respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is Twenty years.

That the age of your petitioner is Twenty one years; that his postoffice address is Locust Grove, Ga. and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
Is Not married and has no children					

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Dallagras D.F.  
this, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D., 1896.

Attest: *H. J. Walker*  
*S. S. Hughes*

John H. Fisher  
 By his father Geo. W. Fisher  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me at \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

this, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July -  
A. D., 1896.

Commission Expires July 1944 1939.



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# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Mrs. Honey Taylor, your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Sarah A. Grier and the  
grand daughter of one David Smith Dead & his wife  
Sarah Smith &c. & nee one Sarah Ballmon and great grand  
of one Thomas Ballmon who, your petitioner firmly believes, was  
Cherokee Indian & by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from  
whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory.

That ~~the name of~~ the name 2 of said ancestor 2 should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Chenango east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852. And your petitioner — respectfully submits

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 34 years; that her address is Maple Avenue, Okla and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
1.	William E. Taylor	Male	20	Son	
2.	Jesse M. Taylor	Male	18	Son	
3.	Sarah R. Taylor	Female	16	Daughter	
4.	James E. Taylor	Male	14	Son	
5.	Minnie M. Taylor	Female	9	Daughter	
6.	Elie E. Taylor	Male	4	Son	
7.	Henry R. Taylor	Male	2	Son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at \_\_\_\_\_  
this, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, A. D., 1926

Attest: T. A. O'Connell

*Mina Claybr*

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Berryville Arkansas  
this, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August

Pay Taylor for clerk  
B. 20 1/2 10

*J. B. Collins* D.B.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned William H. Pyle your petitioner, makes this his application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of his claim, to wit:

That he is the son of Nancy M. Pyle and the grand son of one Joseph A. Pyle and the grand son of one Joseph Smith and the great great grand son of one John Smith who, your petitioner firmly believes, was one of the Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom he derived his Cherokee Indian blood, entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That his name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this his application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 28 years; that his postoffice address is Hard Am. and that his family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Ernest R. Pyle	Male	4	Son	
2	Dorothy	Female	2	Daughter	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah D.T. this, the 15 day of August A. D., 1896.

Attest: William H. Pyle

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah D.T. this, the 15 day of August A. D., 1896.

[SEAL] W. H. Pyle Notary Public



## Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Melvina Crooner, your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Yoney M. Pyle and the grand daughter of one Sarah J. Pyle and the great grand daughter of one Sarah Smith who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That her name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 22 years; that her postoffice address is Bentonville, Ark. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	<u>Magnolia Mahon</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Daughter of former hus.</u>	<u>her</u>

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, Ark. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: Don Chornely Melvina Crooner  
S. B. Bayles ma

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah, Ark. this, the 15 day of August, A. D., 1896.

[SEAL]

My Comm. expires Jan. 16, 1897.

OK

Northwestern Dist. S.T.



## Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Nancy M. Pyles your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Joseph M. Pyle and the grand daughter of one David Smith and the great grand daughter of one Jessie Gallman who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is years; that her postoffice address is Bentonville Ark and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Joseph M. Pyle	Man	24	son	
	He is now located in -				

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, this, the 15 day of August, A. D. 1896.

Attest: Don Shornley Nancy J. Pyles  
W. B. Bayles Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah, Indian Territory, this, the 15 day of August, A. D. 1896.

(SEAL)  
My term expires Jan 16-99 W. B. Bayles  
Notary Public

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Mary Gause your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Henry M. Gause and the great granddaughter of one Joseph A. Gause and the great granddaughter of one Joseph A. Gause who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That her name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 26 years; that her postoffice address is Herd - Ark and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Little Mary Gause	F	10	Daughter	
2	Lucia " "	"	5	"	
3	Bessy " "	"	2	"	
4	Effie Gause	"	5	"	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, Ind. this, the 15 day of August, A. D. 1896.

Attest:  
Don Chasney  
Chas. Boyles

Mary Gause  
Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah, Ind.  
this, the 15 day of August,  
A. D. 1896.

[SEAL]

W. H. Thomas  
Notary Public



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Mrs. Elizabeth Deaton your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Sarah A. Bridger and the grand daughter of one David Smith and his wife Sarah Smith Dec. 2nd 1830 in Gallatin and the great grand daughter of one Cumia who, your petitioner firmly believes, was Cherokee Indian and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1843, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 36 years; that her postoffice address is Garfield, Benton Co. Ark. and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks
1.	William Deaton	Male	14	Son	
2.	Mary	Female	12	Daughter	
3.	Sarah	"	10	"	
4.	Eva	"	8	"	
5.	Carrest	"	6	"	
6.	John	Male	4	Son	
7.	"	"	1	"	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Garfield, Arkansas this, the 30th day of August, A. D., 1896.

Attest: W. R. Hays Elizabeth Deaton Subscribed and sworn to before me at Garfield, Arkansas this, the 30th day of August, A. D., 1896.

[SEAL]

OK

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Ramus, Thomas  
Salem, N.J.

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Tahlequah, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Molinda A. Crowner your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Sarah Ayun Crowner and the grand daughter of one Daniel Smith Crowner and the son of one who, your petitioner firmly believes, were

Cherokee Indian, by blood, and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That name and the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is thirty two years; that her postoffice address is Quincy Ark and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	Binty Crowner	F	12	daughter	
2	Amy	F	10	"	
3	Rosa	F	8	"	
4	James	M	6	son	
5	Henry	M	4	son	
6	Burton	M	2	son	
7	Margaret	F	4 mos	son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah Ind. Terr. this, the 4 day of August, A. D., 1896

Attest: Molinda A. Crowner

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Tahlequah Ind. Terr. this, the 4 day of August, A. D., 1896

My Com. 24 Jan 1899. } W. G. Thomas

(SEAL) O.K.



# AFFIDAVIT.

United States of America  
Indian Territory  
Northern District

SS.

In the case of Melvin L. Brown & Mary Gonne Pyle <sup>Wm H.</sup>  
claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me M. O. Humphrey a Notary  
Public within and for the State of Ark. the above named, duly authorized  
to administer oaths Mary M. Pyle to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Mary M. Pyle; my age is 53  
years: My post-office address is Newtonville Ark.

I am a citizen of the United States by occupation;  
I am a housewife but an applicant.

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with the above named  
applicants for Cherokee citizenship. Their  
names are - Melvin L. Brown & Mary Gonne  
Wm H. Pyle - and Joseph M. Pyle - They are  
my children borned to me and Frank  
Pyle my first husband in low fat wed-  
lock. Melvin L. Brown has one child named  
Magnolia a girl - her husband Mary Gonne has  
four children - namely - Lillie May Stoner  
by her first husband and <sup>by her second husband</sup> Joseph M. Pyle  
2. and Effie Gonne - Joseph M. Pyle  
lives now he is incompetent to attend to his  
own business - He is a Non-Com. pro Native.  
William H. Pyle has two children - namely  
Cornest R. and the Darwood Pyle - boy - and  
4 and 2 year old respectively - Mary  
Gonne has one child - Lillie May and Stoner is  
in her 4th year - Mary Gonne is 53 years  
old.

Attest  
M. O. Humphrey  
J. S. Boyle



Nancy M Pyle  
D.L. al.

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Waiting for  
Papers

# AFFIDAVIT.

Saline District  
Cherokee Nation

SS.

Indian Territory

In the case of Nancy Payles claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me J. M. Ross a Clerk  
within and for the District aforementioned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths Sarah Ann Grider to me personally  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is Sarah Ann Grider; my age is 76  
years: My post-office address is Locust Grove Cherokee Nation  
27; I am a United States by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the United States

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

Nancy Payles - is her lawful <sup>that the said</sup> ~~Heir~~ <sup>that she</sup> ~~Heir~~  
<sup>was</sup> born in Johnson County Arks. and she is now  
about fifty years old and her maiden name  
was Nancy Grider.

Sarah Ann Grider her mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me.

This the 18<sup>th</sup> day August A.D. 1896.

J. M. Ross  
Clerk Saline Dist  
C. N.

O. K.

United States of America  
Western District of Arkansas } ss.

In the case  
of Mrs Sarah A. Giden Claimant for Citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian  
Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood,  
before Cherokee authority at Tahlequah  
Cherokee Nation Indian Territory —

Personally came this day before me  
William F. Rasmus a Commissioner of the  
United States District Court within and for  
the aforesaid District, duly authorized  
to administer oaths, John R. Osborn to  
me well known to be the person who pre-  
sents himself to be, and who being duly  
sworn according to law deposes and  
says that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood  
and acknowledged citizen and resident  
of the Cherokee Nation — and reside in  
Tahlequah District, Cherokee Nation —  
I am now Seventy three (73) years old —  
my post office address is Tahlequah  
Dist. Tenn. I am a farmer my occupa-  
tion and it pleases me to be of the Cherokee Nation and I declare in relation to the for-  
going named claims — I was born in the  
old Cherokee Nation East of the Tennessee  
River — and I came to this Nation with the  
Emigrant Cherokees — while I was in the old  
Nation I was well acquainted with one  
James Smith, I knew him in Alabama and  
at Chattanooga Tennessee — he was a Cherokee  
Indian of part white blood — the Indian

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blood, and recognized and acknowledged  
as <sup>Cherokee Indian by blood</sup> ~~such~~ all the other Cherokee Indians  
who knew him - and I never heard  
his Cherokee Indian blood disputed or  
denied. I was acquainted with David  
James Smith family - one of his boys  
was named David Smith, who also was  
always recognized as a Cherokee Indian  
by blood, and never heard his Cherokee  
blood disputed - David David Smith married  
a young Cherokee woman named Sarah  
Gallymore, who was the daughter of Jimmie  
Gallymore & Lee Lee - and her husband the  
David James Smith - the David David Smith  
had family of girls and boys - among which  
was one daughter named Sarah - sometimes  
called "Sally" - and since I came to this country  
heard she had married a white man  
named Oliver - the David James Smith  
used to be called "Cherokee Jim Smith"  
by the ~~white~~ people that lived about  
there - I never saw either the David James or Jim  
Smith and David Smith in this country - Cherokee  
Nation, Indian Territory - I further declare that  
I am member of the Cherokee National  
Council.

John <sup>Chis</sup> R. Gourd

Sworn and subscribed to before me at  
Tahlequah Ind. Terr. this 27<sup>th</sup> day of  
September A.D. 1897.

W. M. Rasmus.

United States Commissioner.

{ Seal  
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Nation's No. 678

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Charles A. Gidner*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 9 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sarah A. Gider*

Nation's No. *678*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*ancestors*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *an* *has* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory *as again shown*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Baranick* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*John L. Adair*  
*7* day of *Sept*

1896.

*A. J. Ball*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



Nation's No. 8051

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

Sarah A. Guder  
et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

Filed Sept 9-96.  
H. M. Jacobson  
recy.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of Sarah A. Grier  
James H. Grier Mrs. Mary Taylor  
John H. Grier Mahinda A. Grier  
William H. Grier Mary Grier Mary Grier  
Mary Grier Mary Grier Mary Grier  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. 208

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

James Smith et al  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive their right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined, that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Answer

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

John L. Grier  
Ex. Ric.

S. H. Mayes Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation  
By Attorneys Attorneys Attorneys

S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 28 day of Aug, 1896.

D. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**







W<sup>m</sup> 287

W<sup>m</sup> Rugstad & Co  
N.S.

Johnson Nation

Capital Order of  
U.S. Court

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No. 18

## NOTICE.

United States of America,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

NORTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

In the United States Court for said District.

In the matter of the application of

Wm Ragsdale et als

to be

enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

TO THE Commission to the Five civilized tribes,

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of

William Ragsdale and children

to be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation, from said Commission

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original papers relating thereto.

Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the 11th day of Dec A.D. 1896.

*William M. Springer* Clerk.

**End**

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Application of Fannie Chapman  
to  
Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation  
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Fannie Chapman

v.

Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 27, 1886.

H. W. Jernigan, Secy.

9-21-96

Repealed

Joplin, Mo.

To the Hon the Daws Commission  
Vinita Indian Territory  
The undersigned your Petitioner  
hereby respectfully makes her  
application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation in accordance with  
the laws there of and the laws  
of the United States of America  
in such cases made and provided  
your petitioner bases her claim  
to such Citizenship upon the  
ground of being a lineal  
descendant of one Elisha Frazier  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
by blood and who was as your  
petitioner has good reason to  
believe and does believe was  
duly enrolled as a citizen  
of the old Cherokee Nation  
at the time the same was in the  
State of Tennessee your  
petitioner in support of  
her said claim to Citizenship  
in the said Cherokee Nation  
respectfully asks the consideration  
of the accompanying and  
enclosed Certified Copies of  
the affidavits of Lowery Ross  
Louis McFay and John Jones  
all representing themselves  
to be Cherokee Indians by

blood Taken sworn and  
subscribed to before one  
O.D. Neville a Notary Public  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May 1895  
and one J.B. Merrill also a  
Notary Public on the 29<sup>th</sup> day  
of April 1895 your petitioner  
further states that she is  
unable to procure and forward  
to be used as evidence here in  
the original Affidavits as  
a fore said for the reason  
that after the same were  
faithfully transcribed by her  
she mailed the same to the  
said J.B. Merrill to his Post-  
office address at the town  
of Vinita J.T. and that  
subsequently said J.B. Merrill  
Notary Public duly acknowledged  
the receipt of the same.  
That since said date said  
J.B. Merrill Notary Public  
as your petitioner is informed  
and truly believes has absconded  
from his usual place of  
abode at Vinita and his  
present whereabouts or place  
of residence cannot be  
ascertained by your petitioner  
though she has made diligent  
inquiry for that purpose



1 and that said original Affidavits  
2 are either as yet in the possession  
3 of said J. B. Merrill Notary Public  
4 as a fore said or the same  
5 have been lost or destroyed  
6 so that your petitioner cannot  
7 avail her self of their present  
8 use in this her behalf that  
9 the family of your petitioner  
10 with their relationship attached  
11 as follows

12 Myrtle Chapman

13 Age 12 years

14 Grace Chapman

15 Age 10 years

16 your petitioner further states  
17 that she has forwarded a  
18 copy of this application  
19 for Citizenship to the Chief  
20 of the Cherokee Nation to-  
21 gether with certified copies  
22 of the enclosed Certified  
23 Copies of affidavits in  
24 support thereof wherefore  
25 your petitioner prays that  
26 upon a full and fair hearing  
27 of her said application the  
28 evidence here in offered may  
29 be considered and that her  
30 said application may be granted

31 Signed Talitha Chapman

32 Subscribed and sworn to before me this

16th day of August 1896

Wm. B. Merrill Notary Public

Application of F. L. L. Chapman  
To  
Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation  
Copy

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F. L. L. Chapman

to the Cherokee

July Aug. 27, 1826

St. W. L. L. Chapman

9-21-96

Revised

Chapman, F. L. L.



Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory } First Judicial Division

Personally appeared before me  
Lowery Ross who after being  
duly sworn deposes and says  
That he is 74 years old and a  
Cherokee Indian by blood a  
resident of the Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory  
I formerly lived in the old Cherokee  
Nation which is now the State of  
Tennessee I was acquainted with  
a man in the old nation by the  
name of Elisha Frazier I knew  
the Frazier family for a long  
time they were all Cherokee Indians  
by blood we used to all live  
and hunt together I positively  
knew Elisha Frazier and his wife  
and all his children and they were  
all Indians by blood and they  
were always recognized as citizens  
by all the Indians in the old nation  
and did enjoy all the rights and  
privileges that other Cherokee Indians  
did in the old nation The Frazier  
family were always known to be  
Cherokee Indians by blood and  
their rights as such were never  
disputed or called into question  
Elisha Frazier's name should appear



State of Missouri  
County of Jasper } ss I hereby certify  
that the within and foregoing is a  
full true and complete copy of the  
affidavit of one Lowery Ross in the  
matter of Talitha Chapman for  
Citizenship to the Cherokee Nation  
subscribed and sworn to before  
one O.D. Neville a Notary Public  
on the 14th of May 1895 as there  
in appears from the hand and  
official seal of said O.D. Neville  
as such Notary Public there to attached  
and that the same was faithfully  
transcribed under my direction  
from a copy of the original affi-  
davit transcribed by me and  
that I compared the within copy there  
of with the original copy of the  
affidavit prepared by me from  
the original affidavit in said  
Cause and found the same to be  
complete as above stated

Signer Talitha Chapman  
Subscribed and sworn to before me the  
15th day of August 1896  
My Commission expires April 8th 1898  
William B. McArthur  
Notary Public for C. Mo.

on the census rolls of 1835 and 1838  
Elihu Frazier had a daughter whose  
name was Lydia who married a  
man by the name of Keel. She  
had a daughter whose name is  
Talitha and who married a man  
by the name of Chapman and said  
Talitha Chapman nee Keel is  
now an applicant for Cherokee  
Citizenship. I know that Talitha Chapman  
nee Keel is a Cherokee Indian by  
blood. I am personally acquainted  
with all the family and know them  
to be Cherokee Indians by blood.  
Talitha Chapman nee Keel the  
applicant for Cherokee citizenship  
should have been and should now  
be enjoying all the rights and  
privileges of Cherokee Citizenship  
the same as all other Cherokee Indians  
are now doing knowing that  
Talitha Chapman nee Keel is  
justly entitled to Cherokee Citizenship.  
I most respectfully pray your honorable  
body to readmit <sup>her</sup> to Cherokee Citizenship.

S. D. C. Edwards personally appeared before me

(Seal) and states on oath that he was present  
and saw the within named Lowery Ross  
sign the within and foregoing affidavit.

S. D. C. Edwards

Sworn and subscribed to before me

this 14th of May 1895

O. D. Neville  
My Commission Expires March 5 1899



Application for Citizenship of  
Talitha Chapman  
Cherokee Nation  
Copy of Affidavit of  
Lowery Ross

Lowery Ross  
Copy  
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Copy  
Lowery, Ross

Copy of Affidavit of  
Charles Marion  
of the Chapman  
Lowery Ross

Applicant for Citizenship of

Cherokee Nation )  
Indian Territory / First Judicial Division

Personally appeared before me  
Louis McFoy who after being duly  
sworn deposes and sayeth that  
he is 67 years old and a Cherokee  
Indian by blood a resident of  
the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory  
I formerly lived in the old Cherokee  
Nation which is now the State of  
Tennessee I further state that while  
living in the old nation I was  
acquainted with a man by the name  
of Elihu Frazier I was personally  
acquainted with the Frazier family  
we used to live together and also  
hunted together the Frazier family  
were all Cherokee Indians by blood  
and they always enjoyed all the rights  
and privileges that other members of  
the Cherokee Nation enjoyed The Frazier  
family were always recognized as  
Cherokee Indians by blood The name  
of Elihu Frazier should appear  
upon the Census rolls of 1832 & 1835  
Elihu Frazier had a daughter whose  
name was Lydia she married a  
man by the name of Keels and  
had a daughter whose name is Talitha  
who married a man by the name  
of Chapman said Talitha Chapman



State of Missouri

County of Jasper } ss I hereby certify  
that the within and fore going is a  
full true and complete copy of the  
Affidavit of one Louis McFoy in the  
matter of Talitha Chapman for  
Citizenship to the Cherokee Nation  
Subscribed and sworn to before  
one O.D. Neville a Notary Public  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May 1895 as there  
in appears from the hand and  
official seal of said O.D. Neville  
as such Notary Public there to attached  
and that the same was faithfully trans-  
scribed under my direction from  
a copy of the original Affidavit  
transcribed by me and that I  
compared the within copy thereof with  
the original copy of the Affidavit  
prepared by me from the original  
Affidavit in said Cause and found  
the same to be complete as above stated

Sign Talitha Chapman  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896.

My Commission expires April 5<sup>th</sup> 1898.

William B. McCurtain

Notary Public for the State.



nee Keel is now an applicant  
for Cherokee Citizenship I know that  
Talitha Chapman nee Keel is a  
Cherokee Indian by blood I am  
personally acquainted with all  
the family and know them to be  
Cherokee Indians by blood Talitha  
Chapman nee Keel the applicant  
for Cherokee Citizenship should have  
been and should now be enjoying  
the rights of Cherokee Citizenship  
the same as other Cherokee Indians are  
now doing knowing that Talitha Chapman  
nee Keel is justly entitled to the rights  
and privileges of Cherokee Citizenship  
I most respectfully pray your  
honorable body to readmit her  
to Cherokee Citizenship

(signed) <sup>hus</sup> Louis M. Foy  
mark

S. D. C. Edwards personally appeared  
before me and states under oath  
that he was present and saw the  
within named Louis M. Foy sign  
the within and foregoing Affidavit  
(Signed) S. D. C. Edwards

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 14th of May 1895-

(Seal) (Signed) O. D. Neville  
Notary Public  
my Commission Expires Feb 1897

Application for Citizenship of

Talitha Chapman

Cherokee Nation

Copy of Affidavit of

Louis McFoy

Louis McFoy  
Deputy  
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(31)  
Copy  
Louis McFoy

John Chapman  
Private Note  
Copy of Affidavit of  
Louis McFoy

Alfred T. Jones, Treasurer of



Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory

First Judicial Division

Personally appeared before me  
John Jones who after being duly  
sworn deposes and says that  
he is 62 years old a Cherokee Indian  
by blood and a resident of the  
Cherokee Nation Indian Territory  
I formerly lived in the old Cherokee  
Nation which is now the State  
of Tennessee I was acquainted  
in the old Cherokee Nation with  
Elihu Frazier a Cherokee Indian  
by blood I knew all the Frazier family  
and know them all to be Cherokee  
Indians by blood and that they  
enjoyed all the rights and privileges  
of Cherokee Citizens The name of  
Elihu Frazier should appear upon  
the Census rolls of 1835-8, 1838.  
Elihu Frazier had a daughter  
named Lydia who married a man  
by the name of Keeler she had a  
daughter named Talitha and who  
married a man by the name of  
Chapman said Talitha Chapman  
nee Keeler is a Cherokee Indian by  
blood I am personally acquainted  
with all the family and know them  
to be Cherokee Indians by blood  
Talitha Chapman nee Keeler the

State of Missouri

County of Jasper / §§ I hereby certify  
that the within and foregoing is  
a full true and complete copy of  
the affidavit of one John Jones in  
the matter of Talitha Chapman  
for Citizenship to the Cherokee Nation  
Subscribed and sworn to before  
one J. B. Merrill a Notary Public  
on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1895  
as therein appears from the hand  
and official seal of said J. B. Merrill  
as such Notary Public then to attached  
and that the same was faithfully trans-  
scribed under my direction from  
a copy of the original affidavit  
transcribed by me, and that I  
compared the within copy thereof  
with the original copy of the  
affidavit prepared by me from  
the original affidavit in said cause  
and found the same to be complete as  
above stated

Sign Talitha Chapman  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896.

My Commission Expires April 27, 1898.

William B. McArthur

Notary Public Jasper Co. Mo.



applicant for Cherokee Citizenship  
should have been and should now  
be enjoying all the rights and  
privileges of Cherokee Citizenship  
same as all other Cherokee Indians  
are now doing knowing that  
Talitha Chapman nee Keel is  
justly entitled to the rights and  
privileges of Cherokee Citizenship  
I most respectfully pray your  
honorable body to readmit  
her to Cherokee Citizenship  
(Signed) John Jones

S. D. C. Edwards personally  
appeared before me and stated  
under oath that he was present  
and saw the within named  
John Jones sign the within and  
foregoing Affidavit  
(Signed) S. D. C. Edwards

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this the 29<sup>th</sup> day  
of April 1895

(Signed) J. B. Merrill

Notary Public

(Seal)

My Commission Expires Feb 26 1900



Application for Citizenship of  
Talitha Chapman  
To Cherokee Nation  
Copy of Affidavit of  
John Jones

John Jones  
Copy  
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(3)  
Copy  
John Jones

Appointed for Captain of  
John Chapman  
of  
Elmer Michon  
Copy of Affidavit of  
John Jones

Nation's No. 167  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

Pauline Chapman

**Demurrer and Answer.**

*Filed Sept 2/96.*

*Wm. J. Macnamara*  
*Secy.*

A. B. Montgomery, Commissioner.

Before the Honorable Henry L. Davis.

Frank C. Viningham, V. S. McKinnon, L. B. Capshaw, and



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Salitha Chapman*

Nation's No. *167*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Elihu Frazier*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. A. A. in. Ex-Sec.*

*S. H. Mayes, Prin. Chief C. N.*

*By Hutchings, Hastings & Brundish, attys.*  
S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*27*

day of

*Aug.*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC

**End**

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Nation's No. 921

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Lizzie P. Webb*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 9 1896

✻ A. S. McKENNON ✻

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Agnes P. Webb et al*

Nation's No. *827*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Parker Harris*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *her* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that *she* ~~neither she nor any of her ancestors~~ now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

STUDY ANSWER.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*John L. Davis*  
Ex. Secy.

*S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation*  
*By H. H. Hastings, Attorney at Law*

S. H. Mayes, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer,  
are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *27* day of *Aug*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

To the Honorable Commission to the five  
Tribes of Civilized Indians of the Indian Territory  
to hear and determine Petitions for Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory  
In the Case of  
Lizzie P Webb } Petition for Re-admission  
to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation Ind. Ter.

Your Petitioner Lizzie P. Webb  
would respectfully submit herewith her  
Petition for Re-Admission or Admission  
and enrollment as a Cherokee Citizen of the  
Cherokee Nation Indian Territory, and the affidavits  
of the following named persons in support  
of her said Petition to wit: C. F. Harris,  
R. N. Rogers, J. H. Welf and W. D. Watson  
The Testimony of C. F. Harris is that he is  
a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation Indian  
Territory and an Chief of said Nation, and  
that he and Parker Harris were cousins  
their fathers being brothers and their mothers  
being sisters; showing that the said  
Parker Harris father of your Petitioner  
Lizzie P. Webb. had the same amount  
of Cherokee blood as the petitioner  
C. F. Harris; who has held the office  
of First Chief of the Cherokee Nation.  
The highest office in the gift of his  
people. The testimony of the witnesses  
Harris, Rogers and Watson establish  
the fact that your Petitioner



Harris Rogers and Wasson  
establish the fact that ~~the~~ your Petitioner  
Lizzie P. Webb is the daughter of  
the said Parker Harris and it also  
shows that the said Parker Harris  
was a Cherokee Indian by blood and  
was so recognized as will be seen  
by referring to the rolls made of  
the Cherokee Indians of Georgia by  
the authority of the United States  
in the years A. D. 1851 and 1852  
And I therefore refer your Honorable  
body to said rolls for that part of our  
evidence. The name of Parker Harris  
ought to be found on said rolls  
along in connection with others  
of the Harris family; to wit: Charles  
Harris Thomas Harris and James Harris  
of Forsyth County Georgia.  
The Affidavit of J. H. Webb shows that  
the children named in your Petitioner's  
Petition are the children of the witness  
Webb and his wife Lizzie P. Webb your  
Petitioner born in Lawful wedlock  
and are therefore entitled to be enrolled  
as Cherokee Citizens. Now as to the law  
usage and customs in regard to admission  
or re-admission as the case may be  
of Citizens in the Cherokee Nation  
they have always admitted them where  
they give them a hearing at all solely  
upon the proof of the Cherokee blood

Rahlequah J. T.

W. D. Wasson  
Attys for Petitioner

Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from

Tahlequah, Indian Territory.

Col. C. J. Harris, (City)

Aug 27

1896

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

Application of Lizzie P. Webb & family, with affidavits  
of C. J. Harris, R. H. Rogers, James H. Webb  
and W. D. Wasson.

certified to by

Arch Spears, Deputy Secy. of Tahlequah Dist. C.M.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

Lizzie P. Webb & family

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

H. J. Baudinist

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

att'y for Cherokee Nation.

APPLICATION.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE TRIBES, Authorized to hear and determine rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

YOUR PETITIONER, LIZZIE P. WEBB, for herself and for other members of her family, mentioned below, applying for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, states:

That she is the daughter of one Parker Harris; and that the said Parker Harris, father of your petitioner, was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and was a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and that from the said Parker Harris petitioner derives Cherokee blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory;

That the name of said Indian ancestor should be found on the rolls taken and made of the Cherokee Indians of Georgia by authority of the United States in the year 1851 and 1852;

Your petitioner further states, that on or about the \_\_\_\_ day of November, 1888, and also on the \_\_\_\_ day of November 1895, application was made by her to the duly constituted authorities of the Cherokee Nation for admission as a citizen thereof and to the rights, benefits and privileges appertaining thereto, which application was refused or not acted upon by said authorities;

Your petitioner further says, that she has always been and is now ready and willing to become a resident and citizen of said Nation, and subject to its laws and usages, and to assume her portion of the burdens of the government.

The age of your petitioner is 30 years; her post office is Tahlequah, Indian Territory, and her family, by virtue of her Cherokee blood, consist of the following named persons:

Her husband, H. Webb, age 18 years, (son) age 12 years  
Her daughter, Lizzie Webb, age 10 years, (son) age 8 years  
Her daughter, Lizzie Webb, age 6 years, (son) age 4 years  
Her daughter, Lizzie Webb, age 3 years, (son) age 1 year  
Wherefore your petitioner prays that she and her descendants be enrolled as Cherokee citizens with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

Lizzie P. Webb

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of August, 1896

W. D. Masson

Notary Public

My commission expires Jan. 3rd, 1900.



United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Territory

Lizzie P. Webb Harris

To the Honorable William D. Boyce, Secy. of the

Indian Affairs, U.S. Harris to me  
well known to be of good reputation,  
for truth and veracity who after being  
by me duly sworn, says upon his oath  
that name is L. P. Harris my age is forty  
years my birth place is Pyle, Ga.  
Ind. Ter. I am a citizen of the Cherokee  
Nation and of the United States. I am  
personally acquainted with your  
petitioner in the above entitled Cause  
Lizzie P. Webb Harris, she is the  
recognized daughter of Parker Harris deceased.  
I was well acquainted with Parker Harris  
father of your petitioner. He was my  
first cousin, our fathers being brothers  
and our mothers being sisters.  
I firmly believe that the name of  
Parker Harris appears upon the Rolls of  
Cherokees <sup>by</sup> taken by authority of the  
United States in the year 1851 and  
1852: I firmly <sup>believe</sup> the said Lizzie P. Webb  
to be a Cherokee Indian by blood  
deriving her Cherokee Indian blood  
from her father the said Parker Harris  
both of whom have many relatives

in the Cherokee Nation and  
recognized Citizens by blood of said  
Nation

W. J. Harris

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 14 day of August A. D. 1896

W. D. Walton

Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan 3rd 1900



United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Terr.

Before me the undersigned authorily personally appeared R. N. Rogers to me well known to be of good reputation for truth and veracity who after being by me duly sworn says upon his oath; that; my name is R. N. Rogers, my age is 54 years my Post-office is Nowata. Indian Territory I am well acquainted with your Petitioner Lizzie P. Webb I have known her all her life her maiden name was Harris she married James P. Webb. I was well acquainted with her father his name was Parker Harris he was a Cherokee Indian and was a member of that tribe; and Lizzie P. Webb is a Cherokee Indian deriving her Cherokee blood from her father the said Parker Harris whose name I firmly believe appears upon the Roll of Cherokee Indians of Georgia taken by authority of the United States in the year 1851 and 1852 I am acquainted with many relatives of your Petitioner Lizzie P. Webb who are Citizens of the Cherokee Nation I. T. I have no interest in this action further than that Justice may be done.

R. N. Rogers

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 18th day of August A. D. 1896

W. D. Pearson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900



United States of America }  
Northern District Ind. Per. }

Before me the undersigned authority Personally appeared James H. Webb, to me well known to be of good reputation for truth and veracity who after being by me duly sworn says upon his oath that; my name is James H. Webb my age is 34 years my Post-office is Pahlipuah I.T. I am the husband of your Petitioner Lizzie P. Webb her maiden name was Harris her father's name was Parker Harris; we were married Forsyth County Georgia in the year 1882 we have had born to us in lawful wedlock eight children all of whom are now living their names are as follows to wit: Walter R. Webb (son) age 13 years; Carl Webb (son) age 12 years; Bertie May Webb (daughter) age 10 years; Jessie Webb (daughter) age 8 years; Maud Ella Webb (daughter) age 6 years; Clarence Webb (son) age 4 years; Claude Olen Webb (son) age 3 years and Mary Webb (daughter) aged 1 year they are the same that are mentioned in the petition of Lizzie P. Webb.

James H. Webb  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This the 18th day of August A. D. 1896

W. J. Masson  
Notary Public  
My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900.

Petition of No. 1079-289  
Lizzie P. Webb for  
Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation I. D.

Filed Sept 7-1894

A. S. McKinnon  
Clerk

Rejected

~~Not Answered~~

W. D. Marston Atty for  
Petitioner

Tahquah I. D.

United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Ter.

Before me  
the undersigned authority personally  
appeared W. D. Watson to me well  
known to be of good reputation for  
truth and veracity who after being by  
me duly sworn says upon his oath,  
My name is W. Drayton Watson  
My Post-office is Tahlequah, I. T.  
I am well acquainted with Lizzie P.  
Webb her Maiden <sup>name</sup> was Lizzie P. Harris  
She is now the wife of James F. Webb.  
I was acquainted with her father  
Parker Harris (deceased) the said Parker  
Harris father of your Petitioner was  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a member  
of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and  
I firmly believe his name appears upon  
the rolls of the Cherokee Indians of  
Georgia taken by authority of the  
United States in the year 1851 and 1852  
Your Petitioner Lizzie P. Webb is a  
Cherokee Indian by blood deriving her  
Cherokee Indian blood from her father  
Parker Harris as aforesaid My age is 41 years

W. D. Watson.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 15 day of August A. D. 1896

L. W. Miller  
Notary Public



**End**

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Indian Territory.  
Northern District.

I J.P. Bustin

do solemnly swear that I did on this 14 day of September 1896

deliver to Nash Swimmer acting Chief

of the Cherokee Nation, of his office in the Town of Tahlequah,

a true copy of the within application of Cordelia

Proclaim it and affords-

hereto attached

J.P. Bustin

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Sept 1896

M. D. Watson

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires Jan 3rd 1900



NOT FROM DISCLOSURE  
TO THE PUBLIC

Attorney's Brief

Before the Honorable Commission  
Sitting at Vinita Ind. Ter. in the hearing and  
determining claims Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation Ind. Ter.

In the Case of

Cordelia Ireland

Petitioner for Admission  
A Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation I. T.

Your Petitioner Cordelia Ireland  
would respectfully submit herewith her  
Petition for re-admission A Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation Ind. Ter. and in  
support of the same the affidavits of the  
following named witnesses to wit;

Francis M. Lister, Henry C. Ireland and  
Jeremiah P. Ireland, and a Copy of her  
father's Certificate of Citizenship.

The evidence shows that she has become  
Citizen and was dropped from the roll,

that she is entitled to readmission,

The Cherokee National Government

refuses to let us examine their records.

Your Hon. body is referred to the records of  
the Cherokee Nation for the proof of her and  
her father having been admitted to Citizenship  
in said Nation.

W. D. Matton

Attorney for Petitioner

Tahlequah I. T.

## Application

To the Honorable Commission to the five  
Tribes Authorized to hear and determine  
rights to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

Your Petitioner Cordelia Freeland for herself  
and for others members of her family mention  
below applying for readmittance as a  
Cherokee Citizen; States that she is the daughter  
of Andrew J. Taylor and the wife of  
Henry L. Freeland. that her father ~~the said~~  
Andrew J. Taylor was a Cherokee  
Indian by blood and a member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and a citizen  
of the Cherokee Nation as shown by his Certificate  
of Citizenship a copy of which is hereto  
attached and marked exhibit (A)  
and that your Petitioner is a Cherokee  
Indian by blood deriving her Cherokee blood  
from her father Andrew J. Taylor; and  
that she was a recognized citizen of the  
Cherokee Nation and drew money from  
the Cherokee government as such citizen and  
that in the year 1886 she left the  
Cherokee Nation with the intention of  
returning and did return in the year  
1895. That since her return she has  
been denied all her rights as a citizen.  
Your Petitioner further states that  
she is willing and always has been  
to bear her portion of the burden



of Government.

The age of your Petitioner is 31 years  
her last Office is Tahlequah Indian Territory  
And her family by virtue of their Cherokee blood  
Consist of the following named persons  
Lee Logan Freeland age 14 years; Loula & Freeland  
age 13 years; Willie Andrew <sup>Freeland</sup> age 10 years;  
Martha & Freeland age 8 years;  
Lela Louisa <sup>Freeland</sup> age 5 years; Delia & Freeland  
age 3 years; and Frank Etta Freeland age  
two months

Wherefore your Petitioner prays that  
her and her said children be re-enrolled  
as Cherokee Citizens

Subscribed and sworn to me  
this the 5 day of August A. D. 1896

Cordelia Freeland,  
W. D. Heston  
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900



Exhibit (A. 7)

Copy

Certificate of Admission to  
Cherokee Citizenship

Office of Commission on Citizenship  
Pahlequah Cherokee Nation

To all whom it may concern greeting

This is to Certify that the following names  
to wit: Andrew J. Taylor aged 63 years  
did pursuant to the act of the National  
Council of the Cherokee Nation approved  
December 8th, 1886. "An act providing for  
the appointment of a Commission to try  
and determine applications for Cherokee  
Citizenship." Make such application to and  
before said "Commission" on the 14th day of  
October 1887; that the proof submitted by the  
above named Applicant in support of his  
said application has been found and is  
hereby declared and Certified to be sufficient  
and satisfactory to the said Commission  
according to the requirements of Section  
Seventh of said act of the National Council  
and that by virtue of such finding of fact by  
the Commission in conformity with the  
fourteenth section of said act, the above  
named parties Applicants for Citizenship are  
from this date of said finding and decision  
of the Commission deemed and recorded  
as such by the National Council as  
provided in said act.

rights and privileges of Cherokee Citizenship <sup>Cops</sup>  
under Section 2, Art. 1 of the Constitution  
of the Cherokee Nation; and this Certificate of  
the said decision of the Commission and of  
readmission by Council is made and  
furnished to the said parties accordingly.  
In witness Whereof, I hereunto sign my name  
as Chairman of the Commission on this the  
thirtieth day of July 1896

J. P. Adair  
Chairman Com. on Citizenship

Attest

Connell Rogers, Clerk Com. on Citizenship

Approved and Endorsed

J. B. Mayes

Principal Chief C. N.

Very Effort

Wm. H. Seely C. N.

United States of America  
Northern District Ind. Ter.

I W. D. Masson

a Notary Public in and for said District  
and Territory do hereby Certify that the

26 foregoing instrument is a true and

27 correct Copy of the Certificate of

28 Admission to Cherokee Citizenship of

29 Andrew J. Taylor.

Given under my hand and seal of office

this the 17th day of August A. D. 1896

W. D. Masson

Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 3rd 1900





United States of America }  
Northern District Ind. Ter. }

Before me the undersigned Authority personally appeared Francis M. Setser who after being by me duly sworn says upon his oath, that I am 35 years old my Post office is Whitleyville Ind. Ter. I am a farmer I am acquainted with Cordelia Freelance and have been acquainted with her all her life She is the daughter of Andrew J. Paylor deceased who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who was admitted to Citizenship on the 4th day of October 1887 as shown by his Certificate of Citizenship and that the said Cordelia Freelance is a Cherokee Indian by blood and entitled to all the rights of a Cherokee Citizen; her father was a brother of my Mother, I am a Cherokee Indian and a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation, I was admitted in the year 1889 or 1890 I have no interest in this action further than that Justice may be done

Francis M. Setser  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 5 day of August A. D. 1896  
W. D. Wasson  
Notary Public  
my Commission expires Jan 3rd 1900



United States of America  
Northern District Ind, Ter, }

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Henry L. Freeland and Jeremiah P. Freeland who, after being by me duly sworn, say that the age of Henry L. Freeland is 45 years and the age of Jeremiah P. Freeland is 44 years and his last office is Tahlequah, I. T. and that the last office of Henry L. Freeland is Bookston, I. T.; and that they are both acquainted with Cordelia Freeland and know her to be the daughter of Andrew J. Taylor; and that the said Andrew J. Taylor was a Cherokee Indian by blood and was so recognized by the Cherokee government of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory and that the said Cordelia Freeland is a Cherokee Indian by blood and has been recognized as a member of said tribe

Henry L. Freeland.  
Jeremiah P. Freeland

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 5th day of August A. D. 1896

W. D. Watson  
Notary Public

my commission expires Jan 3rd 1900.

Petition of No 290  
Gordelia Greenland  
for readmission to  
citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation I. T.

Filed Sept 7-1892  
A S McKinnon  
Clerk

Rejected  
~~Not Answered~~

W. D. Warren Atty for  
Petitioner  
Sahlequah I. T.

Nation's No. 790.

Commission's No

In re Application of

Cordelia Freeland, et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 25 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

COM. R.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....  
Cordelia Freeland, et al. ....

Nation's No. 790.

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicants are entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that Andrew J. Taylor

..... through whom the petitioner <sup>s</sup> claim to derive their right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory as citizens thereof.

Respondent admits that one Andrew J. Taylor was re-admitted to citizenship, the 30th of July, 1888, by what is known as the Adair Citizenship Commission, but states that the fact that Andrew J. Taylor was re-admitted will not entitle the applicant, Cordelia Freeland, to citizenship, and is no proof that she is entitled to be admitted as a citizen, as her allegation shows that she has resided in the States for several years, and has never attempted until now to establish her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation; and further answering respondent says that she has failed to comply with the laws and customs in regard to establishing her claim to citizenship.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot.

Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

John L. Adair  
11th day of Sept  
D. J. Ball

1890.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





Nation's No. 308

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Elizabeth J. Edwards*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 9 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

COM 'R'

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Elizabeth J. Edwards*

Nation's No. *308*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurres, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Valley Keys* -  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive

her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation, that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, that she is

*resident and citizen of the State of Arkansas and owns no property or effects in the Cherokee Nation*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchins Hastings & Bondurk* - Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

7 day of

*Sept.*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

# Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from A. J. O'Neal Aug 1896

the following documents, to-wit:

Application of Elizabeth J. Edwards and  
affidavits of Samuel J. Price and Samuel  
Pruss in support of same

certified to by

W. D. Mason, N. D.

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

Elizabeth J. Edwards

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

F. J. Bandin  
Atty for Cherokee Nation

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.



application for enrollment

To the Hon Henry L Davis  
Gen. Frank C Armstrong Hon-  
Archibald H McTear Hon  
Thomas B. Cabines Hon Alexander  
B Montgomery  
United States Commissioners  
authorised by an act of Congress  
of June 4<sup>th</sup> 1896 to hear and determine  
claims for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The Petitioner

Elizabeth S. Edwards for herself and  
of her heirs being the offspring of  
her body by her marriage with  
George W. Edwards Tenant John H.  
Edwards age Twenty one years W. L. Edwards  
age Nineteen years B. F. Edwards age  
George Walter Edwards age fourteen years  
Lilla C. Edwards age ten years  
Charles H. Edwards age six years and  
Joseph Edwards age one year old  
makes this application to you for  
the purpose of being placed on the  
revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians  
and of those entitled to share in  
the distribution of funds and  
allotment of land in the Cherokee  
Nation by virtue of their

Cherokee Blood. and herewith is submitted  
the affidavits of Elisabeth F. Edwards  
Samuel F. Price and Samuel F. Fells  
in support of said claim and await  
the time when this said application  
shall be heard and determined  
and the said applicant states she  
has with the principal Chief  
of the Cherokee Nation a copy  
of this application and of the  
affidavits in support of the same

Petitioner states that she is the  
daughter of Catharine Bruce one  
eighth Cherokee Blood who was daughter  
of Annie Price one fourth Cherokee  
Blood who was the daughter of  
Dolley Keys who is one half Cherokee  
Blood and came to the Cherokee  
Nation from Jackson County Ala-  
all of my ancestors names are  
on the Cherokee Rolls

E. F. Edwards

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1896  
J. P. Greaves  
Notary Public

No. 286.  
Application of  
Elizabeth J. Edwards  
for Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation  
and Ter.

Elizabeth J. Edwards  
v.  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 19-86.  
H. M. January  
Circuit Judge.

Webster Falls,  
I. S.



State of Arkansas  
County of Washington

Affidavit

Warraville Ark. August 19-96

Before me the Subscriber one of the Notary  
Public in and for the said County Personally  
appeared Samuel J. Price & Samuel Pershall  
of full age who being duly sworn according  
to law doth depose and say that they are well  
acquainted with Mrs Elizabeth J. Edwards who  
is the wife of George W. Edwards Elizabeth J.  
Edwards is the daughter of Catherine Brewer  
whose mother is one quarter blood Cherokee whose  
name is Ammi Price who is the daughter of Polly  
Keys who is a half breed Cherokee. They came here from  
Alabama Jackson County to this Nation all of the  
Connection except Elizabeth J. Edwards have their  
rights in the Cherokee Nation and their names  
all appear on the Roles of the Cherokee Nation  
Except Elizabeth J. Edwards who is contending for citizen  
ship in the Cherokee Nation

Attest

J. A. Bateman

Samuel J. Price

Samuel Pershall

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 19 day of August  
1896

My Commission expires  
Jan 1, 1900

Francis M. Stewart

Notary Public

**End**

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In the U. S. Court, Northern Dist. I. T.

The Commission to the Five Tribes

It is ordered by this court that you transmit to said Court all papers  
in your custody in the application of *John Donahoe*

for Cherokee Citizenship, same to be used on the appeal of  
certain cases to this Court.

9/20/07

Clerk.

**End**

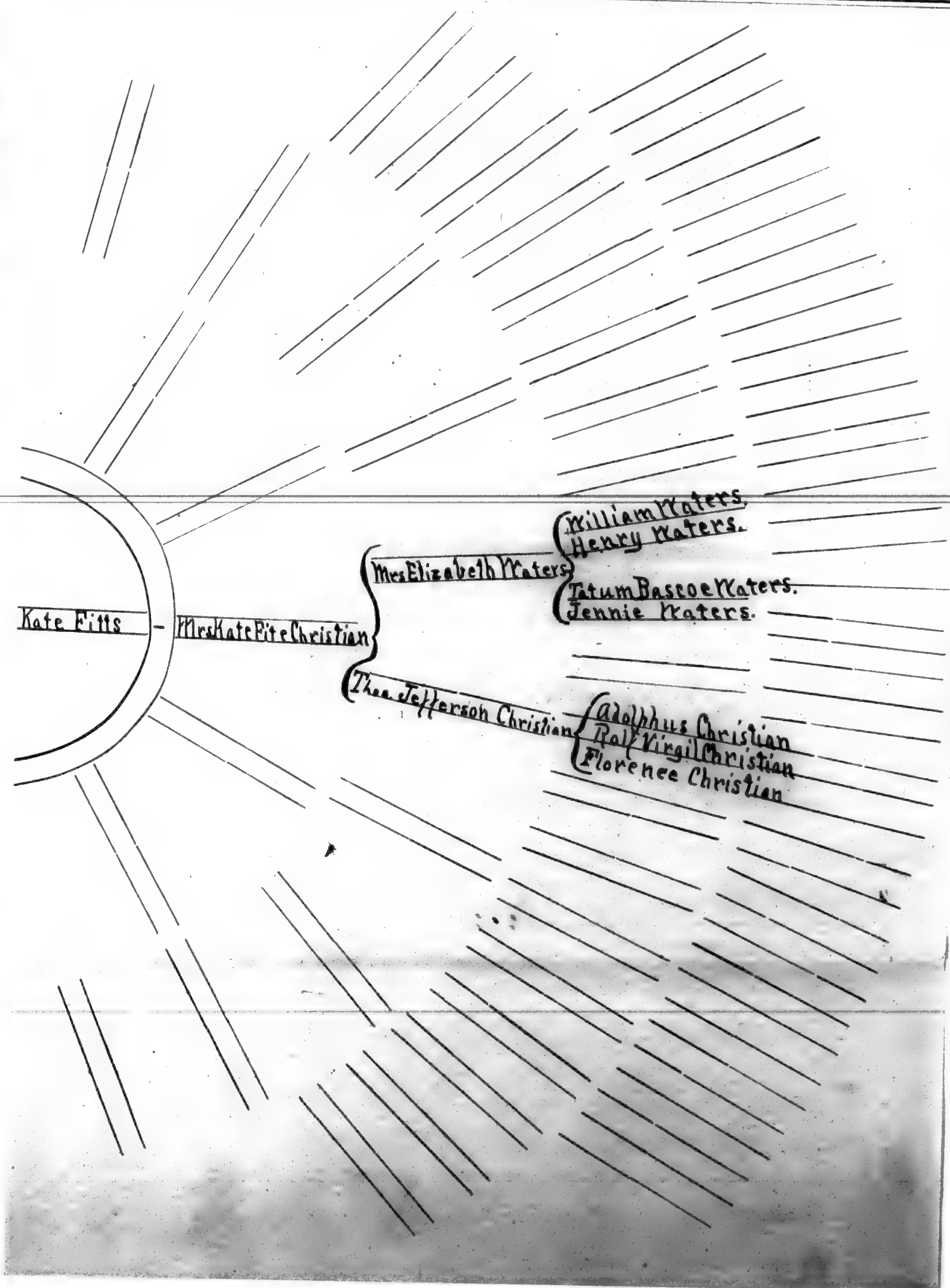




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## CHART

Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.



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No. 205173

Court.

Term, 189

Christian, Waters et al

—vs.—

The Cherokee Nation

ORIGINAL

*Repet*

Filed in Clerk's office

7 Sept 1896

*H. W. Harris, Jr.* Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 335, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of J. Christian & Elizabeth Waters

and

and of the affidavits of each witness thereto attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

*My Commission Expires  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1898.*

H. C. Barritt  
O. Decker

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at VINITA  
Registered Letter No. 335 Rec'd SEP 7 1896  
of J. H. Harris  
addressed to S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.  
P. M.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1893, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Thomas Jefferson Christian makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one  
Kate Fitt Christian and the grandson of  
of Mr & Mrs Fitt and the  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes were known  
& recognized as Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his post office address is Cartersville, Dalton Co Ga,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: my wife, Frances  
and three children to wit: Adolphus 10 years  
old, Ralf Virgil, 8 years old, & Thomas 4  
years old. My parents James Woodson Christian  
& Kate Christian his wife are now resident  
Citizens of the Cherokee Nation, their post office being  
Taliquah, I. T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Thomas J Christian  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 10<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Amey Collins  
Notary Public

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs Elizabeth Waters makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Miss Kate Fitch Christian and James H. Christian  
My mother maiden name was Kate Fitch  
and who your petitioner firmly believes she  
is a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, her post office address is Centerville Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband William  
Waters, and children as follows  
William eleven years old. Henry 9 years old,  
Tatum Base six " " , Jennie 4 " "

My parents James & Kate Christian are Citizens of  
the Cherokee Nation and on the rolls of the Nation  
residing near Talequah, S.T.  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Elizabeth Waters

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God. Elizabeth Waters

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 18, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit. Asa W. Collins  
Notary Public



State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared H. E. Holf

who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 64 years old, and is a citizen of said State & County

and that he is personally acquainted with Thomas Christian

who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Thomas Christian

is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

I know James & Kate Christian, the parents of Tom since 1876 until they left about 8 years ago. His mother Kate was evidently of Indian blood & was so recognized and regarded & she looked like the Cherokee Indian race. I saw them a day or two before they left & they said they were going to the Indian Territory where I am informed they now live as citizens.

Mrs Christian was on the Indian Pension list before she left here.

Tom Christian married Francis Waters about 13 years ago & has three children.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Thomas Christian for the past 20 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Thomas Christian indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Thomas Christian is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Thomas Christian to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

H. E. Holf

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know he to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Aaron Collins  
A. J. Brown

H. E. Holf

State of Ga, County of Barrow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. M. Loveliss

who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 60 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County

and that he is personally acquainted with Tom Christian & Mrs

Elizabeth Haters who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identi-

cal persons who represents themselves to be in this application for such citizenship.

These applicants are the son and daughter of James Christian and Kate Christian and I know these last named persons since 1858 in old Cass County (now Barrow) - The mother Kate evidently of Indian descent. She had all the appearance of an Indian in complexion & type and claimed to be part Indian and was so generally recognized and treated. They have been gone some 8 or 10 years and are said to be in the Territory.

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants for the past 30 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a persons of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicate the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicants and those who knew them longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

W. M. Loveliss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James Collins

W. M. Loveliss

My decessor

State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. E. Wolf who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 64 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs Elizabeth Waters who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Elizabeth is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

James & Kate Christian are her parents - I have known them since 1876 & until they left her saying they were going to the Indian Territory - Kate Christian drew money as an Indian before she left & my understanding is that they are now citizens of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory living near Tallquah. I did not know the parents of Kate but she had all the appearance of an Indian blood.

Elizabeth married William Waters about twelve years ago & has four children

Affiant further states that he has known the said Elizabeth for the past 20 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elizabeth indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elizabeth is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Elizabeth to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

W. E. Wolf

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James Collins  
Notary

W. E. Wolf



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Nation's No. 4647  
Commission's No. 293  
In re Application of

*Christian Waters et al.*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21, '11  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC. 1

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Christian Waters et al*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Pitts*

..... through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *their* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

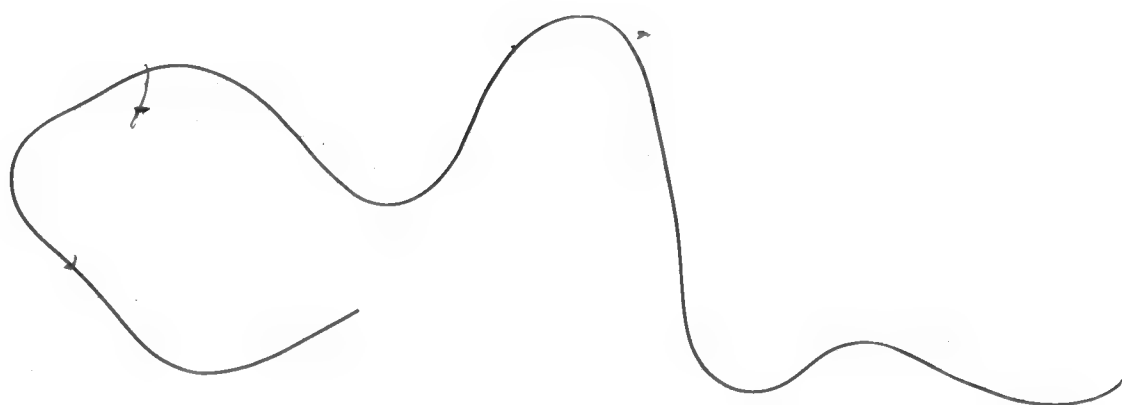
By *Hutchings Hastings & Bondurant* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *6* day of *Oct.* 1896.

*S. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



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Court, \_\_\_\_\_

Term, 1896

Carter, Cordell et al.

—vs.—  
The Cherokee Nation

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7 Sept. 1896

H. M. Jewway Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for \_\_\_\_\_

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 358, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the applications of H. J. Carter et al which accompanied  
it

and

and of the affidavits which were then attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Exp.  
1 Mo. 6<sup>th</sup> 1899.

H. C. Barritt

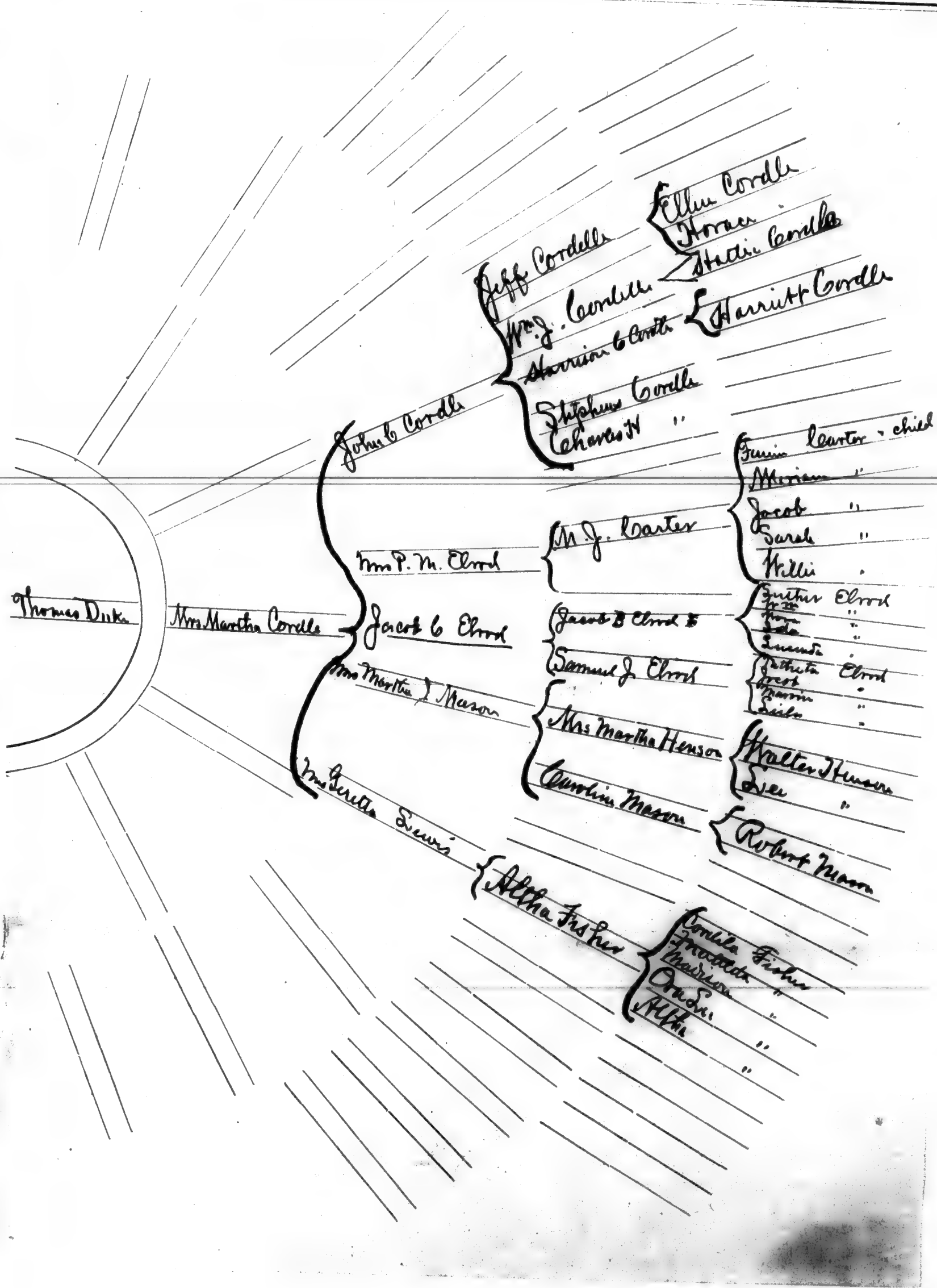
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REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA,
Registered Letter No. <u>358</u>	SEP 7 1896
Person	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
of	<u>J. H. Harris</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.</u> <u>P. M.</u>



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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned M. J. Carter makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one  
Natimac Mipsami Wilson and the grand daughter  
of one Bordell and the  
of one half who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 47 years of age, her postoffice address is Isabella, Tenn.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
1. Her husband Francis M. Carter, 2. Harriet, age 22  
3. Harriet daughter of Harriet age 3 Mos. 4<sup>th</sup>  
4. Harriet, age 15; 5. Jacob, age 14; 6. Sarah age  
7. 12 years; 8. Willie age 26. Some of my ancestors  
by the name of Bordell and one of living in the Cherokee  
Nation. Reference is made to her Wilson claim for the same.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Margaret J. Carter  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Margaret J. Carter

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Graham, Clerk.

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John C. Cordell makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one  
Martha Condeell and the grand son  
of one Thomas Stokes and the great grand son  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 60 years of age, his postoffice address is Mineral Bluff Ga.,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Jeff age 31. 2. Martha wife of Jeff age 31. 3. Ellen age 8. 4. Horse age 3. children of Jeff. 5. William age 28. 6. Oliver age 27. (wife of Wm). 7. Hattie age 1. child of Wm. 8. Harrison C. age 23. Mary age 24. wife of H. C. Harrett age 7 mo. child of Harrison C. Solomon age 14. Charles Henry age 11.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

*John L. Cordeiro*  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Jannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 1999, 1899, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

James V. Smith, Nov 27



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Margie J. Mason makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Morcha Condee and the grand daughter  
of one Thomas Duke and the half  
of one her who your petitioner firmly believes was half  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 65 years of age, his postoffice address is Mineral Bluff, Ga.,  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Morcha age 26. 2. William Henson (husband  
of Morcha) age 40. 1. Walter age 6. - See age  
2. children of Morcha & Wm Henson -  
Caroline Manah age 27 (wife Robt Mason dead)  
Robt age 8 son of Robt & Caroline Mason

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

M J Mason

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Fannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

M J Mason

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of Aug, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J V Smith Notary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Aitha Fisher makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Geretta Lewis and the grand daughter  
of one Martha Cordell and the great grand daughter  
of one Thomas Duke who your petitioner firmly believes was half  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his postoffice address is Mineral Bluff, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
1. J. M. Fisher (husband) age 36, 2 Cordella age 14  
3. Matilda Jane age 12, 4. Madison age 7, 5. Orville  
age 4, 6. Aitha age 2.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Aitha Fisher  
mon (By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gwinnet

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Aitha Fisher  
mon

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

James V. Smith



State of Georgia, County of Forsyth

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared S. Lafayette Hanson who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 52 years old, and is a citizen of Marshall Bluff Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with John C. Cordell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said John C. Cordell is the identical person he represents himself to be in this application for such citizenship.

I was personally acquainted with  
Mother Cordell mother of applicant.  
I am also personally acquainted  
with Jeff Cordell, William Harrison  
Charles Louvena - who are children of  
John C. Cordell, and know them to be  
the identical persons they represent  
themselves to be.

Affiant further states that he has known the said John C. Cordell for the past 45 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood, that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John C. Cordell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John C. Cordell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John C. Cordell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

attest  
J. C. Powell  
Notary Public

S. Lafayette Hanson  
his  
more

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Smith  
Notary Public



State of Georgia, County of Tamm

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. C. Alred

who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 78 years old, and is a citizen of Smith County,

and that he is personally acquainted with J. C. Cordell

who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T. and that the said J. C. Cordell is the identical

person he represents himself to be in this application for such citizenship.

I was personally acquainted with Martha Cordell, who is a daughter of Thomas Drake, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood. I am also personally acquainted with John C. Cordell, who is a son of Martha Cordell. I am personally acquainted with Jeff William J. Robinson C. Cordell and Charles Cordell children of John C. Cordell. The applicant

Affiant further states that he has known the said John C. Cordell for the past 60 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John C. Cordell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John C. Cordell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John C. Cordell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. C. Alred

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Smith

State of Georgia, County of Fannin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. C. Elrod & Lafayette Hennessy who after being duly sworn by me states that they are 78 & 57 years old, <sup>respectively</sup> and is a citizen of Fannin Co and that they are personally acquainted with Setha Fisher who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Setha Fisher is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

We are personally acquainted with Gereta Seewis mother of Setha Fisher. was also acquainted with Morcha Cordell mother of Gereta Seewis. was also acquainted with Thomas Duke father of Morcha Cordell.

Affiant further states that they have known the said Setha Fisher for the past 35 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Setha Fisher indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Setha Fisher is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Setha Fisher to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Lafayette Hennessy  
made

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Smith



State of Georgia, County of Fauquier

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. C. Elrod & Lafayette Newson who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 74 & 52 years old, and is a citizen of Fauquier Co Va

and that they are personally acquainted with Morcha Mason who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Morcha Mason is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

I was personally acquainted with Morcha Cordell mother of applicant, also acquainted Thomas wife father of Morcha Cordell, I am also acquainted Morcha Newson, daughter of Morcha Mason

Affiant further states that they have known the said Morcha Mason for the past 64 & 25 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Morcha Mason indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Morcha Mason is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Morcha Mason to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Attest  
J. C. Elrod  
Lafayette Newson

J. C. Elrod  
Lafayette Newson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. V. Smith J. P. & G. P.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Jacob Elrod makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Jacob Elrod and the grandson  
of one Martha Duke and the great grandson  
of one Thomas Duke who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 39 years of age, his postoffice address is West Gumbys  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
1. Nancy (wife) 33. 2. Factor age 13.3 William  
age 11. 4. Nora age 7. 5. Ida age 3. 6. Semula  
age 5 mo.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J B Elrod

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Fauquier

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J B Elrod

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 26, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

John D. Patterson

CLERK'S OFFICE,  
FANNIN COUNTY, GEORGIA.  
J. H. DAVIS, C. S. C.

GEO. F. ROBER, JUDGE.  
GEO. R. BROWN, SOLICITOR.  
GABRIEL THOMAS, SHERIFF.

BLUE RIDGE, GA., 189

Georgia Fannin County  
Clerks Office Superior Court.

I, John H. Davis, Clerk Superior Court  
in and for the County of Fannin, do certify  
that John D. Patterson is an Acting Justice of  
the Peace and is now in Commission, and his acts  
as such are entitled to full faith and credit and  
that his signature to the papers hereto attached as  
such is genuine. Done under my hand and  
seal of Office. This 29 day of August 1896.

J. H. Davis, C. S. C.,  
Fannin County Georgia.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Samuel J. Elrod makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Jacob C. Elrod and the grand son  
of one Martha Duke and the great grandson  
of one Thomas Duke, who your petitioner firmly believes was head  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 40 years of age, his postoffice address is Isabella, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Wife Sueinda (wife) age 27. 2. Isatha age 16  
3. Jacob 7. age 8-14. Mamie age 5. 5. Sela age Dyer.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Samuel J. Elrod  
J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Tanner

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Samuel J. Elrod

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 26, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

John D. Patterson J.P.



State of Georgia, County of Fannin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John D. Cordell

who after being duly sworn by me,

states that he is 66 years old, and is a citizen of Fannin County

Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with J. B. Elrod

who is applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said J. B. Elrod is the identical

person & he represents himself to be in their application for such citizenship.

They are sons of Patience Missouri and Elrod. Who was a daughter of Martha Duke. Martha Duke was a daughter of Isaac Duke.

Affiant further states that he has known the said J. B. & S. J. Elrod for the past 25 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. B. & S. J. Elrod indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. B. & S. J. Elrod is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. B. & S. J. Elrod to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. D. Cordell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

John D. Peterson JP

State of Georgia, County of Fannin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Jacob B. Elrod who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 78 years old, and is a citizen of Tanner County, Mo., and that he is personally acquainted with J. B. Elrod who is an applicant for citizenship in the United States Nation, I. T., and that the said Jacob B. Elrod is the identical person who represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

These are sons of Patience Mijaurian  
Elwood. who wifes a daughter of Martha  
Duke. Martha Duke. was a daughter  
Thomas Duke who was of Cherokee  
Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Jacob B. Samuel Elrod for the past 40 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. B. Elrod indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. B. Elrod is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. B. Elrod to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26 day of Aug 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Jos. D. Patterson Jr

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Nation's No. 3761  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

John C. Cordell

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21, 1901  
H. M. JACOWAY -  
SEC.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John C. Cottrell*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Thomas Duke*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hartings & Roudin* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC

**End**





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No. 2034

Court,

Term, 189

Chastain et al

—vs.—

Cherokee Nation

ORIGINAL

*R. J. Harris*

Filed in Clerk's office

7 Sept

1896

*H. H. Harris*

Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 341, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of

Cordelia Chestnut  
and J. M. Young

and of the affidavits of W. T. Inlow  
M. G. Riggins

Harro Parker, Corbin Parker

in support of same.

H. C. Barritt

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7 day of September, 1896.

My office is at  
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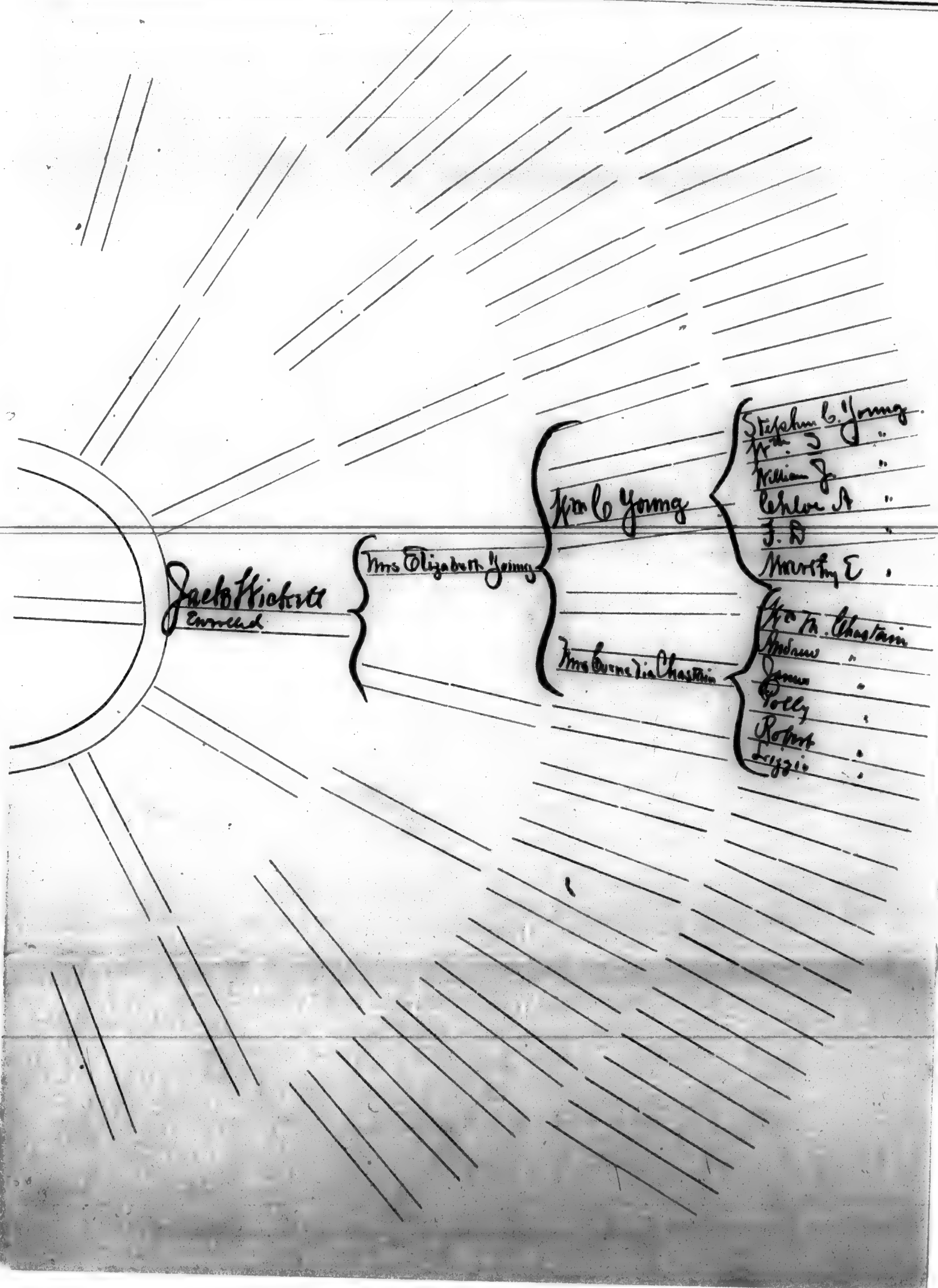
REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Registered Letter No.	<u>341</u>
of	<u>J. M. Young</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah Ind.</u> <u>Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.</u>
SEP 7 1896 VINITA, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.	

Young - Chastain



# CHART

Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs Cordelia Chastain makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Mrs Elizabeth Young who was the daughter of one Jack H. Hunt and the son of one Jack H. Hunt who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 42 years of age, her postoffice address is Robts P.O. Gordon Co and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Mrs Mann Chastain</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Son of Applicant</u>
<u>Andrew Chastain</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>James Chastain</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>Polly</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Daughter " "</u>
<u>Robert</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Son " "</u>
<u>Lizzie</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Daughter " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Cordelia Chastain  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gordon

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. W. Harris Ordinary

Put in children names on this



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

The undersigned William C Young makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Elizabeth Young the daughter of one Jack McKitt and the daughter of one Jack McKitt who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is Adelina P. O. Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES of children	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
1 Stephen C. Young	14	Son of applicant
2 William I "	6	" " "
3 William J "	4	" " "
4 Elae A "	12	Daughter " "
5 F. D. "	9	" " "
6 Martha E "	3	" " "
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Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

William Young

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gordon

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God,

William C Young

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. W. Harris, Attorney



State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared H. J. Inlow who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 66 years old, and is a citizen of Bartholomew County Ga and that he is personally acquainted with Wm C Young & brother or sister who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

He is the son of Elizabeth Trickett the daughter of Jack Trickett - I have known Jack Trickett from 1848 to his death a few years ago. If there was ever a Cherokee Indian Jack Trickett was one - He showed it & claimed it. I lived not further than three (3) miles from him from the time I first knew him. Every body knew Jack Trickett was a Cherokee Indian.

Affiant further states that he has known the said parties for the past many years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

H. J. Inlow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Adrian Collins  
Notary Public

State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared ~~David C. Chastain~~ Wm C. Young who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 44 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Wm C. Young who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Wm C. Young is the identical

person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship. Wm C Young is the son of Wm Young & his wife Elizabeth whose maiden name was Elizabeth Trickett - She was the daughter of Jack Trickett who lived in Gordon Co and died 6 or 7 years ago in Cherokee County - I remember well - He was from Cherokee - His complexion & appearance showed it - He claimed it and has drawn money by reason of his Cherokee blood - Jack Trickett was the son of

Andrew Young, Mrs Cordelia Chastain, Mrs Steen Jackson & Mrs Ellen Thatch are also the children of Wm & Elizabeth Young & the grand children of Jack Trickett.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Wm C Young for the past 18 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Wm C Young indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Wm C Young is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Wm C. Young to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Wm C. Young  
W. N. M. Watt

Wm C. Young  
Wm C. Young

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Hightower J. P.



Clerk's Office Superior Court.—J. A. V. Jones, Clerk of the county of Pickens and of the Superior Court of this and for said county which is a court of record and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that

Clerk's Office Superior Court—J. A.V. Jones, Clerk of the county of Pickens and of the Superior Court of this and for said county which is a court of record and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_ whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment,

with and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn with authority by the laws of this state to administer oaths and take the acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments, that I am acquainted with his hand writing and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate as proof of acknowledgment is genuine and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Superior Court at Jasper in said county and State on this 27 day of Aug A. D. 1897 Charles CLERK.

**CLERK**



State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Carroll Caroline Parker who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 50 + 44 years old, and are citizens of Wilkes County Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Wm. C. Young who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Wm. C. Young is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Wm. C. Young is the son of Wm. Young and his wife Elizabeth whose maiden name was Charlotte Wickett - she was the daughter of Jack Wickett who lived in Gordon County and died 6 or 7 years ago in Cherokee County. I know him well - he was lost in Cherokee his complexion & appearance showed it he claimed it and has been among the people of Cherokee since Jack Wickett was the son of

Affiant further states that they have known the said Wm. C. Young for the past 55 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Wm. C. Young indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Wm. C. Young is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Wm. C. Young to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness  
10th day of Oct

Carroll Caroline Parker  
Caroline Parker

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Hightower J. P.

**State of Georgia, Pickens County:**

Clerk's Office, Superior Court.—I, A. V. Jones, Clerk of the county of Pickens and of the Superior Court within and for said county, which is a court of record and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that John H. Jones whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a resident of the place within and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn with authority by the laws of this state to administer oaths and take the acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments, that I am acquainted with his hand writing and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate or proof of acknowledgment is genuine and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Superior Court at Jasper in said county and State on this the 27 day of Aug A. D. 1890 A. V. Jones CLERK.



State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared M. C. Riggins who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 46 years old, and is a citizen of Pickens County Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs. Cordelia Chastain who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mrs. Cordelia Chastain is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for such citizenship.

she is the wife of E. J. Chastain and the mother of six children she was the daughter of Wm + Elizabeth Young and Elizabeth Young was the daughter of Jack Wickett who lived in Gordon County of Georgia and died 7 years ago Jack Wickett was the son of

Wm + Elizabeth Young Mrs. Doan Jackson Mrs. Elbert are her children of Jack Wickett

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mrs. Cordelia Chastain for the past 48 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs. Cordelia Chastain indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs. Cordelia Chastain is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs. Cordelia Chastain to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness  
W. B. McCall

M. C. Riggins

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 16 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Hightower, J.P.



State of Georgia, Pickens County:

Clerk's Office Superior Court:—I, A. V. Jones, Clerk of the county of Pickens and of the Superior Court within and for said county which is a court of record and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that W. J. O. Hightower whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a

Justice of the Peace within and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn with authority by the laws of this State to administer oaths and take the acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments, that I am acquainted with his hand writing and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate as proof of acknowledgment is genuine and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Superior Court at Jasper in said county and State on this the 27 day of Aug A. D. 1897 A. V. Jones CLERK.

State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Harriet T. Caroline Parker who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 46 years old, and a citizen of Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with Mrs Cordelia Chastain who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mrs Cordelia Chastain is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. She is the wife of E. L. Chastain and the mother of six children - She was the daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Young and Elizabeth Young was the daughter of Jack Pickens who lived in Cherokee Co. died 7 years ago - Jack Pickens was the son of

Mrs. C. Young, Andrew Young, Mrs. Bessie Jackson - Mrs. Ellen West are also the children of Mrs. Elizabeth Young - grand children of Jack Pickens

Affiant further states that she has known the said Mrs Cordelia Chastain for the past 40 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs Cordelia Chastain indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs Cordelia Chastain is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs Cordelia Chastain to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness  
W. J. Hightower

Harriet T. Caroline Parker  
Caroline T. Parker

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Hightower J.P.



State of Georgia, Pickens County:

Clerk's Office Superior Court:—I, A.V. Jones, Clerk of the county of Pickens and of the Superior Court within and for said county which is a court of record and keeper of the Seal thereof, hereby certify that W. E. McPherson whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a Justice of the Peace within and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn with authority by the laws of this State to administer oaths and take the acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments, that I am acquainted with his hand writing and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate as proof of acknowledgment is genuine and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Superior Court at Jasper in said county and State on this the 27 day of Aug A. D. 1896 A. V. Jones CLERK.



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Nation's No. 3821

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Wm. J. Gamm*  
*et al.*

Demurrer and Answer

FILED. OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Wm R. Young*  
*et al*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John McVay*  
through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Waring, Hichins & Bennett* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*John L. Adair*  
*5* day of *Oct.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Court.

Term, 189

Mrs. Goding et al

—vs.—  
The Cherokee Nation

ORIGINAL

*Replied*

Filed in Clerk's office

7 Sep 1896

H. M. Presway Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, Jr.  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 377, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Mrs Letitia F. Colding, Miss Letitia M. Lawman, Golding C. Lawman, Miss Georgia and A. Charlton & Emily M. Charlton for herself & brother & sister

and of the affidavits of George W. Cleland, (3 affidavits)  
Archibald Howell (3 Affidavits)

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7 day of September, 1896.

My com. Expires  
March 1899,

H. C. Barritt

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA
Registered Letter No. <u>377</u>	SEP 7 1896
of <u>J. H. Mayes</u>	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter., 189
addressed to <u>J. H. Mayes</u>	
	<u>Tahlequah Ind.</u>
	<u>Okla. Terr.</u>

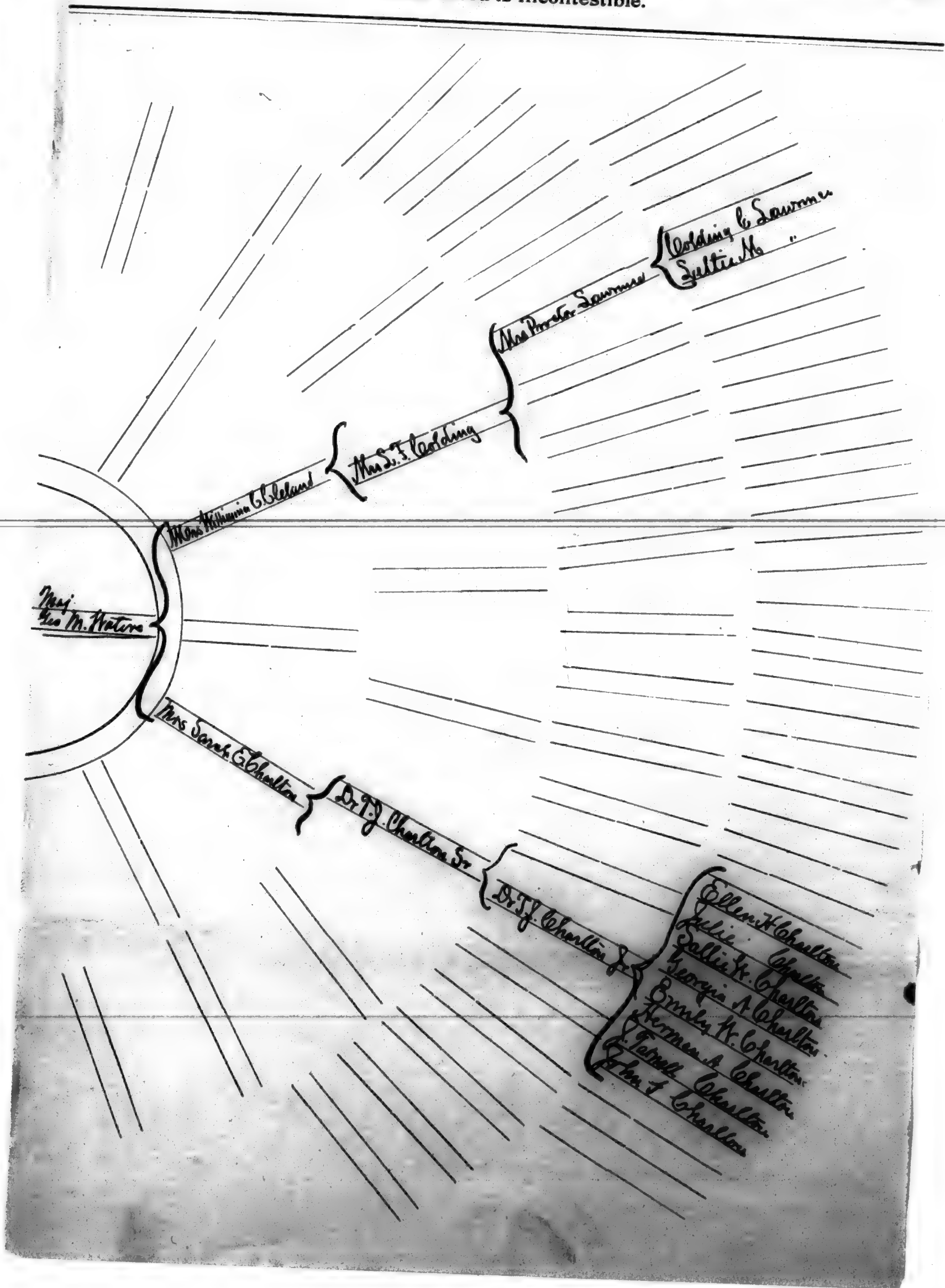


Maj. George M. Waters Descendants.

Rebennet is prayed to the favor of file in the  
application of Mrs Archibald Howell for her self  
and children -

## CHART

Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Leticia F. Golding <sup>improper name</sup> Leticia F. Cleland  
makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That she is the daughter of Mrs James C. Cleland (maiden name of my mother  
Ms Williamina C. Waters <sup>C. Waters</sup> and the grand daughter of  
of one Maj George M. Waters who <sup>and the</sup> last lived in Guinnett County, Ga.  
of one and <sup>who your petitioner firmly believes was</sup> well known  
and recognized to be a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river, particularly upon the "Hester" roll

Your petitioner is 65 years of age, her post office address is Savannah Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: By my first husband  
Robert H. Pooler there was born to me one daughter named  
Caroline and this daughter married Preston Lawrence  
and bore two children, Leticia M. and William C. Lawrence  
for whom as my grand children I apply for citizenship.  
My Brother Gump Waters Cleland is now a citizen of the  
Cherokee Nation at or near J. P.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Leticia F. Golding

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cobb

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Leticia F. Golding

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 14<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in above petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

W. H. Harris, Jr.  
Notary Public for the State of Georgia Cobb County



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Lettie M. Lawrence makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Mrs. Proctor Lawrence who was the wife of one  
Mrs. Lettie Holding who was the daughter of Mrs. Williamina Cleland  
who was the daughter of Major George M. Hatten  
of Emmitt County Ga. who your petitioner firmly believes was known  
and recognized to be a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is ..... years of age, his post office address is .....  
and ..... family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: .....

My Grand Mother's Brother Dr. George Hatten Cleland  
is now a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation I.T. at  
or near Hagner -

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Lettie M. Lawrence

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cobb

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Lettie M. Lawrence

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 14<sup>th</sup> 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in above petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

W. H. Harris, Justice of the Peace  
State of Georgia

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned, Charles C. Lawrence makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the son of Mrs. P. P. Lawrence who was the daughter of one  
Mrs. S. P. Holding, the daughter of Mrs. Williamina O'Leary  
of Summit County, Ga. and Mrs. George M. Waters  
who your petitioner firmly believes was known  
& recognized to be a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is        years of age, his post office address is Savannah Ga.  
and        family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Dr. George Waters O'Leary my grandmother's brother  
is now a citizen of the Nation and lives  
near Hagerman, D.C.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully waits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Chatham

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 15<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Alexander A. Lawrence  
Notary Public C. C. Ga.

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Miss Georgia A. Charlton makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Dr. J. Charlton the son of one Dr. J. Charlton Jr. whom wife has Sarah E. Waters of one Sarah E. Waters nee the daughter of one Maj. George M. Waters who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 18 years of age, his postoffice address is Columbus Ga and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Ellen H. Charlton</u>		<u>Sister of Applicant</u>
<u>Julia</u>		<u>" " "</u>
<u>Sallie Waters</u>		<u>" " "</u>
<u>Herman A.</u>		<u>Brother " "</u>
<u>J. P. Hall</u>		<u>" " "</u>
<u>John F.</u>		<u>" " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Miss Georgia A. Charlton  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Muscogee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Swear to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in above petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Georgia A. Charlton  
John O. Levy  
Notary Public Muscogee Co. Ga



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Miss Emily H. Charlton makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Dr. J. J. Charlton and the grand daughter  
of one Dr. J. J. Charlton Jr. & wife Sarah and that Mrs Sarah Charlton was the daughter  
of one Maj. George M. Waters who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 20 years of age, his post office address is S. Columbus  
and Savannah Ga. family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:                     

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Emily H. Charlton

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Muscogee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Emily H. Charlton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in said petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Samuel B. Lewis  
Notary Public Muscogee Co  
Ga.

~~Indian Territory~~ ~~Northern District~~  
State of ~~Georgia~~, County of ~~Cherokee~~

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared ~~to G. W. G. and~~ who after being duly sworn by me, states that ~~he~~ is ~~65~~ years old, and is a citizen of ~~Cherokee Nation~~ and that ~~he~~ is personally acquainted with Lettie M. Lawrence of Ga. who is an applicant for citizenship in the ~~Cherokee Nation~~ Nation, I. T., and that the said ~~Lettie M. Lawrence~~ is the identical person ~~she~~ represents ~~her~~ self to be in ~~her~~ application for such citizenship.  
~~in Cherokee Nation~~

Affiant further states that ~~he~~ has known the said ~~Lettie M. Lawrence~~ ~~from his birth~~ for the past ~~years~~ and knows that ~~she~~ has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said ~~Lettie M. Lawrence~~ indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said ~~Lettie M. Lawrence~~ is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that ~~he~~ has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said ~~Lettie M. Lawrence~~ to citizenship in the ~~Cherokee~~ Nation, I. T.

~~G. W. G. and M. D.~~

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the ~~26th~~ day of ~~August~~ 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know ~~him~~ to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

~~any other person~~ J. B. L. ~~Notary Public~~

State of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Dr. G. W. Williams who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 63 years old, and is a citizen of Cherokee Nation and that he is personally acquainted with Dr. Colding Lawrence who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Dr. Colding Lawrence is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship. Dr. Lawrence is the son of Mrs. Proctor Lawrence of Savannah Ga, and she was the daughter of Mrs Letitia F. Colding by her first husband (Pooler) and Mrs Colding, who is affiant's sister, is the daughter of Mrs. Williamina C. Cleland who was the daughter of Maj. George M. Webb Waters

Affiant further states that he has known the said Dr. Colding Lawrence for the past his lifetime years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Dr. Colding Lawrence indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Dr. Colding Lawrence is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Dr. Colding Lawrence to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

G. W. Williams M. D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

My Comm. expires March 26<sup>th</sup> 1897  
J. B. Lindsey



Indian Territory, Northern District  
State of Oklahoma, County of

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Dr. George Waters Cleland who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 68 years old, and is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, I. T., Post Office and that he is personally acquainted with Letitia F. Colding of Georgia who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Letitia F. Colding is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for such citizenship. Affiant is the brother of said applicant, and our mother was Williamina C. Cleland the daughter of Maj. George M. Waters who lived on the Chattahoochee river in the Cherokee Nation until the treaty of 1835 and afterwards moved to Gwinnett county Ga. Maj Waters was a member of the Cherokee tribe or nation

Affiant further states that he has known the said Letitia Colding for the past 10 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Letitia Colding indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Letitia Colding is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Letitia F. Colding to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

John W. Cleland Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

My Comm. expires March 20<sup>th</sup> 1900  
J. B. Lindsey  
Notary Public

State of Georgia, County of Carters

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Archibald Howell who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 82 years old, and is a citizen of David Stah + Co and that he is personally acquainted with Letitia M + William C. Lawrence, who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical person they represents them self to be in their application for such citizenship.

These Applicants are the children of Mrs  
Brother Sawner who was the daughter  
of Mrs Letitia F Colclough and she was the  
daughter of Mrs Williamson Cleland  
who was the daughter of Maj George  
M Waters of Grinneth Co Ga. I person-  
ally knew them all and knew Maj Waters  
ultimately for many years. My father  
bought the place that Maj Waters lived  
on in the Cherokee Nation.

Dr. George W. Chalmers of Weymouth I.T. & a citizen of the nation is a brother of Mrs. Colding & both are now in life.

Affiant further states that he has known the said parties above named for the past twenty years and knows that they ~~has~~ been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said parties above named indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew them ~~him~~ longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said parties above named ~~is~~ are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said parties above named to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Archibald Howell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

*Wm. H. Martin*



State of Georgia, County of Cobb.

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Archibald Howell who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 82 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Sallie W. Charlton & her Brothers & Sisters who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical persons they represents them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Maj George M. Waters was the father of Sarah & his daughter who married Dr J. J. Charlton and to them was born a son named after his father and who was also a Dr. This last named Dr J. J. Charlton is the father of Sallie W & her brothers and sisters, there being 8 children, all of whom are great grand children of Maj George Waters - I know Maj George M Waters intimately for many years. My father bought the place on which he lived in the Cherokee Nation after the treaty of 1730 and I know Maj Waters to be a Cherokee Indian by blood and that his name was upon the rolls of the Nation -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Sallie W Charlton for the past 20 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Sallie W Charlton indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Archibald Howell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Leah M. Justice of the Peace State of Georgia Cobb County



State of Georgia, County of Cobb

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Archibald Howell

who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 82 years old and is a citizen of Meritts Ga

and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs Letitia F Colding who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person she represents her - self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Mrs Colding is the daughter of Mrs William C. Cleland and she was the daughter of Major George M. Waters of Germantown Ga who was a member of the Cherokee tribe - I know Maj. Waters intimately for many years, my father, Evans Howell, bought the place on which he lived in the Cherokee Nation - I also know personally all of these persons.

Dr George M. Cleland of Wagner Indian I. is applicant's brother - and can if called upon state same facts as above -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Letitia F. Colding for the past forty years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Letitia F. Colding indicates the Indian type. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Letitia F. Colding is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said L. F. Colding to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. Howell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Wm. J. Smith  
State of Georgia, Cobb County

STATE OF GEORGIA.

County of Cobb.

I, WILLIAM E. MONTGOMERY, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County of Cobb, State of Georgia, and keeper of the Records and Seal of the same, (the same being a Court of Record.)

do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same, as the same appears from the records and seal of the said Court of Record.

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Nation's No. 3749  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

Leticia F. Galding

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21, '1  
H. M. JARWAY-  
C.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Letitia H. Bolding*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Mag. Geo. M. Waters*

through whom the petitioner claim to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE

OFFICE OF

J. W. Harris, Jr.,

Attorney.

Catoosa County, Ga.,

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For the proof, the Commission is respectfully  
referred to the Application of Mrs. Letitia F. Colden  
et al in the above captioned case.

These Applicants are a part of that family all being  
Descendants of Maj. George M. Waters.

J. W. Harris, Jr.  
Atty.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sallie Waters Charlton makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Dr J. J. Charlton and the grand daughter  
of one Sarah Charlton nee Waters and the great grand daughter  
of one Mr George M. Waters who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 27 years of age, her post office address is Savannah Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: my Sisters  
Emily W Charlton aged twenty years, Georgia A Charlton  
aged eighteen years, John F. Charlton aged ten  
years, Herman A Charlton 30 years, Julia  
W Charlton 28 years Ellen H Charlton 26  
years J Patrick Charlton 22,

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Sallie Waters Charlton

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Charlton

The facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, under oath.

Sallie Waters Charlton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of August, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me.

My commission expires the 1st day of August, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me.

James H. Carter

N. P. C. C. Jr



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned Ellen H Charlton makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Dr T. J. Charlton Jr. the son of one Dr T. J. Charlton Sr whose wife and co-wives the Sarah E. Waters of one Sarah E. Waters was the daughter of one Maj George M. Waters who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived Indian blood entitling to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is \_\_\_\_\_ years of age, his postoffice address is Savannah Ga.  
and \_\_\_\_\_ family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

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Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits

Ellen H. Charlton

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Chatham

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of June, 1906, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

1806, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
and is a person of good character and worthy

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Arman A. Charlton makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Ar J. Charlton the son of one Mrs Sarah E Charlton and she was the daughter of one Wm George M. Waters and the

a who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 30 years of age, his postoffice address is Savannah Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Jessie M. Charlton</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Emily W. Charlton</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Georgia A. Charlton</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J. Attwell Charlton</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>Brother</u>
<u>Ellen H. Charlton</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Jessie W. Charlton</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Ellen A. Charlton</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Daughter.</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Arman A. Charlton

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Charlton

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 2nd, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. W. Harris, Jr.  
J. W. Harris, Jr.



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned J. Tattnell Charlton makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That Lu is the son of Dr T. G. Chantong the son of one Mrs Sarah E Chantong and she was the daughter of one May George M Waters and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is ..... years of age, his postoffice address is Savannah Ga  
and ..... family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows :

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. Tatum Chaston

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Illinois, COUNTY OF Champaign

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1906, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in within petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

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# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

1. THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Julius W. Charlton makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That <sup>she</sup> ~~Dr. T. J. Chantton~~ is the daughter of Dr. T. J. Chantton for the son of one ~~Dr. T. J. Chantton~~ <sup>Dr. T. J. Chantton</sup> whose wife <sup>and the</sup> was Sarah E. Waters - ~~of one~~ <sup>and the</sup> Sarah E. Waters was the daughter of one Maj. George M. Waters who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is ..... years of age, his postoffice address is Savannah Ga  
and ..... family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney

Decey, COUNTY OF Chatham

that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
so help you God,

Subscribed before me this 2nd day of July, 1886, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy

petition and is a person of good chara

*Samuel Keated*

7. P. C. C. C.



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. W. Harris Jr  
Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-  
emnly swear that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered  
at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 623, received  
from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the application of Sally M. Charlton et al

and

and of the affidavits of

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

My com. Expires  
March 6 1899.

J. W. Harris Jr  
O. V. Newell

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA,
Registered Letter Parcel	No. <u>623</u> Rec'd <u>SEP 9 1896</u> Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
of	<u>J. W. Harris</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind.,</u> <u>Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.</u>



Geographical Names.  
Indian Territory.  
United States of America.

Saller W. Chantou et al

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The Cherokee Nation

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Part of one of Mrs. Chantou et al

J. H. Harris  
Chattanooga, Ga.

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Nation's No. 4868.

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Frederic H. Carlton*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEN.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Sally M. Carlton*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant..... entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. Keulager* *James H. Hutchings* *James B. Smith* Attorneys.  
James H. Hutchings, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct* 1896.

*W. M. Keulager*  
*J. H. Hutchings*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**

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No. 2081297

Court

Term 189

Richard T. Gove, et al

vs.

Shirley M. Gove

ORIGINAL

Rebecca



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 376, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of George H. Cook et al under  
Sum. Conn

and

and of the affidavits of each witness therein attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expire  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1899

H. C. Barritt

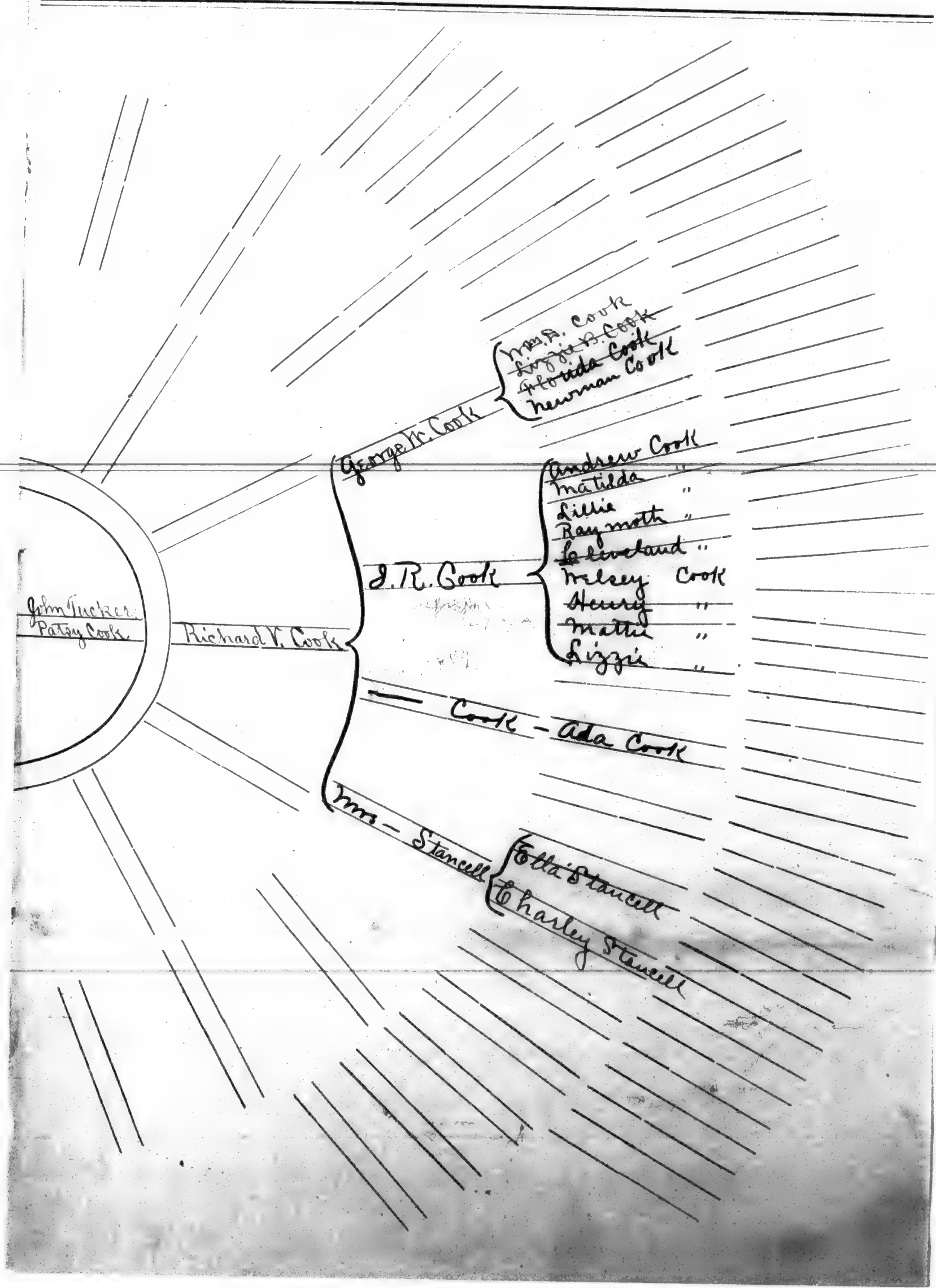
Notary Public

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter No.	376 Rec'd
of	<u>J. H. Mayes</u>
addressed to	<u>J. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah Ind. Ter.</u> <u>Okla. Terr.</u>

Cook.

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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned George W. Cook makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Richard V. Cook and he was the son of one Patsy Cook by John Tucker - John Tucker of one a full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Richard V. Cook the father of applicant was shown by his mother to be the son of John Tucker and by the Census in Gilmer County John Tucker was found & designated to be the father of Richard. Members of John Tucker's family are on the Nation's rolls.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his postoffice address is Mineral Springs, Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>William David Cook</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Lizzie Belle</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Florida</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Newsman Carter</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>George W. Cook</u>		<u>Applicant</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

George W. Cook

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Adam Williams  
A. Williams

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned J. R. Cook makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Richard V. Cook and he and the Said Richard V. Cook was  
of one the son of John Tucker and Patsy Cook not married  
of one John Tucker who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a full

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Applicants father Richard was sworn to John Tucker  
by his mother & John Tucker was acknowledged to be his father.  
And John Tucker acknowledged him to be his son.  
John Tucker has descendants in the Cherokee Nation

Your petitioner is 42 years of age, his postoffice address is Mineral Springs Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Andrew Cook</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Matilda "</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Lillie "</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Raymond "</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Cleveland "</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Kesley "</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Henry "</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Ligea "</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Mattie "</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. R. Cook

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Barren

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31st, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Cornelison Ordinary



To the Honorable Henry L. Davis, Grand  
C. Armstrong, Archibald McKenran,  
Thomas B. Cabaniss, Alexander B. Arm-  
strong, United States Commissioners author-  
ized by an act of Congress of June  
4 1846 to hear and determine Claims  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee nation.  
The undersigned R. W. Cook makes this  
application for admission to Citizenship  
in the Cherokee nation in the Indian  
Territory as a Cherokee Indian by blood  
in accordance with the act of Congress  
and the laws of the laws of the Cherokee  
nation and respectfully submit  
the following facts as the ground  
of his claim to wit -  
That he is the son of one  
John Mosher, who your petitioner  
firmly believes was a Cherokee  
Indian by blood and a duly acknow-  
ledged member of the Cherokee tribe  
of Indians and from whom peti-  
tioner derived his Indian blood. En-  
titled him to Citizenship in the  
Cherokee nation.  
That the name of said ancestor  
should be found to appear on the  
Census roll of the Cherokees east of  
Mississippi river.



The Applicant is a son of John  
Tucker who was a Cherokee Indian  
by blood

Your Petitioner is 66 years of age  
his Post office address is Mineral  
Springs and his family by birth  
is Cherokee Indian blood & as  
followers

names	age	relationships
R. W. Cook	66	Applicant
Alder Cook	14	Grand daughter
Eller Staniel	19	Grand daughter
Charly Staniel	2	Great grand son

Your Petitioner herewith submits  
the proof of application and  
respectfully awaits its determin-  
ation

Richard W. Cook  
B. & W. Harris Jr. Attorney  
State of Georgia County of Pickens  
You do swear that the facts set forth  
in the above and foregoing petition  
are true to the best of your knowledge  
and belief so help you God  
Richard W. Cook  
Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 31st day of August 1896 and I hereby  
certify

verify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person repre-  
sented in his petition  
and is a person of good character  
and worthy of credit.

C. J. Cornelison  
Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Miranda Allred who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 81-85 years old and is a citizen of said State & County

and that they are personally acquainted with George Dick, John James & Henry Cook who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical persons they represents them seek to be in their application for such citizenship.

They are brothers and are all sons of Richard V. Cook  
& friend of John T. Cook a Cherokee Indian.  
John Cook has 9 children, their names are William,  
Laura, Sam, Lida, Jasper, Callie, Roscoe, Bradley & Henry Gray.

James Cook has 7 children; Mary, Ellen, Richard, Harry, Harold  
Sarah, Jessie

Henry Cook has 3 children - Idala, Charles, Clay

Dick Cook has 9 children: Andrew, Matilda, Lillie, Ray, Martha  
Leah, Wesley, Henry, Lizzie & Mattie -

George Cook has 4 children - William, Lizzie, Florence & Newman.  
Myrtle Pelfry, Ella Starnes & Ada Cook are 3 children of Dick Cook  
by his first wife Gasaway Cook

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants all their lives for the past 25 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Miranda Allred  
T. J. Starnes

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant, and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

J. F. Connelison Ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Cherokee

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. A. Stancil who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 57 years old, and is a citizen of Cherokee County and that he is personally acquainted with Richard A. Cook who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Richard A. Cook is the identical person ~~that he~~ represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

I know affiant - Richard A. Cook  
and he says he is the son of  
John Gucker, has always claimed  
himself to be the son of John Gucker  
and that he has always told me that  
he was part Indian

Affiant further states that he has known the said Richard A. Cook for the past 36 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Richard A. Cook indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Richard A. Cook is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Richard A. Cook to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

W. A. Stancil

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

G. J. Cornelson Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Perkins

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Richard V Cook who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 66 years old, and is a citizen of Sail State & County named below and that he is personally acquainted with Applicants who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical persons they represent them - self to be in this application for such citizenship. George Cook, John Cook, Dick Cook, James Cook & Henry Cook are my sons in life. Gasaway Cook now dead was also a son. My mother was Patsy Cook. I was born out of wedlock. My mother soon ran to John Tucker in Gilmer County and the courts decreed him to have been my father. I know him John Tucker my father well. He always recognized me publicly as his son. John Tucker his son now of Gilmer County is my half brother. George, Dick, John, James, Henry my sons & Minnie Cook Pelfry, Ella Cook Staniel & Ada Cook the daughters of my son Gasaway are applicants. Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants all this line years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Richard V Cook  
affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. F. Cornelson Ordinary

Georgia: Hamlin County.

Before me the undersigned Judicial officer  
in and for said County aforesaid personally  
appeared, Daniel Carrol, who after being  
duly sworn, by me states that he is 81 years  
old and is a citizen of said County, and  
that he is personally acquainted with  
Richard V. Cook, who is an applicant for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. and  
and that the said R. V. Cook, is the identical  
person he represents himself to be in his  
application for such citizenship.  
Affiant knows that it has always been  
understood that said R. V. Cook, was a son  
of John Tucker deceased, and that he has  
heard John Tucker often say that R. V. Cook,  
was a son of his, affiant further states that  
he has known the said R. V. Cook for 46  
years, and knows that said Cook has been  
treated and recognized by his neighbors and  
acquaintances and the public generally  
as a person of Indian blood.  
Affiant states that he has no interest  
in the prosecution of the claim of the



Laid ~~check~~, to Citizenship in the Chesapeake  
Paterson J. J. Daniel <sup>his</sup> & Carrol  
~~at~~ <sup>Arthur</sup> Vaughan <sup>mark</sup>  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this the  
28 day of August 1896. And I further  
certify that I am acquainted with  
officiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.  
J. H. Davis, C. S. C.

Georgia Fannin County. - before me the undersigned Judicial official officer in and for said County personally appeared Bartley Godfrey, who being by me duly sworn by me states that he is 75 years old, and is a citizen of said County and that he is personally acquainted with Richard V Cook who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation I. T. and that the said R V Cook is the identical person he represents himself to be affiant, says that he knew John Tucker deceased and that he was an Indian, and that he has heard the said R V. Cook, claim said John Tucker as his father, and that he has known R V. Cook, for 40 years affiant states he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said R V Cook to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

attest, Gabriel, Thomasal } Bartley <sup>his</sup> Godfrey  
sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day  
of August 1896, and I further certify that that I  
am well acquainted with affiant and know  
him to be of good character and well worthy  
of credit.

J. H. Davis, J. S. C.

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Nation's No. 4631

Commission's No .....

In re Application of

Richard U Cooke

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Richard U Cook et al*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *are* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *John Tucker*

..... through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *this* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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No. 2045	
Court.	
Term, 189	
<del>Walter Leavelle et al</del>	
E. E. Dempsey et al	
—vs.—	
The Cherokee Nation	
Cofor ORIGINAL	
Repealed	
Filed in Clerk's office	
7 Sept	1896
N. M. Greaney	Clerk.
J. W. HARRIS, JR., CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 346, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of E. E. Dempsey et al accorn  
bringing it under same cover  
and

and of the affidavits of all the witnesses thereto attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

My comm Expd.  
Mich 6<sup>th</sup> 1899

H. C. Barritt

O. H. Lee

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office At	VINITA
Registered Letter No.	346 Rec'd
of	J. H. Harris
addressed to	J. H. Mayes Tahlequah Ind D. E. Dempsey et al

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Elmyria E. Dempsey makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of J. Van Dempsey of one  
and the and the second daughter  
of Elizabeth Dempsey and the  
of one Indian who your petitioner firmly believes was 1/2  
Indian Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 47 years of age, her postoffice address is Silver City, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

her Her father was one fourth Indian  
and was so considered by those who knew  
him

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elmyria E. Dempsey  
witnessed by J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Elmyria E. Dempsey  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. A. Henderson, N. P.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sarah E. Dempsey makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of J. Van Dempsey of one  
and the granddaughter of  
of one Elizabeth Dempsey and the  
of one tribes who your petitioner firmly believes was 1/2 Indian  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 45 years of age, her postoffice address is Silver City, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

her father was one fourth Indian  
and was so considered by those who knew him

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Sarah E. Dempsey  
mark By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Dempsey

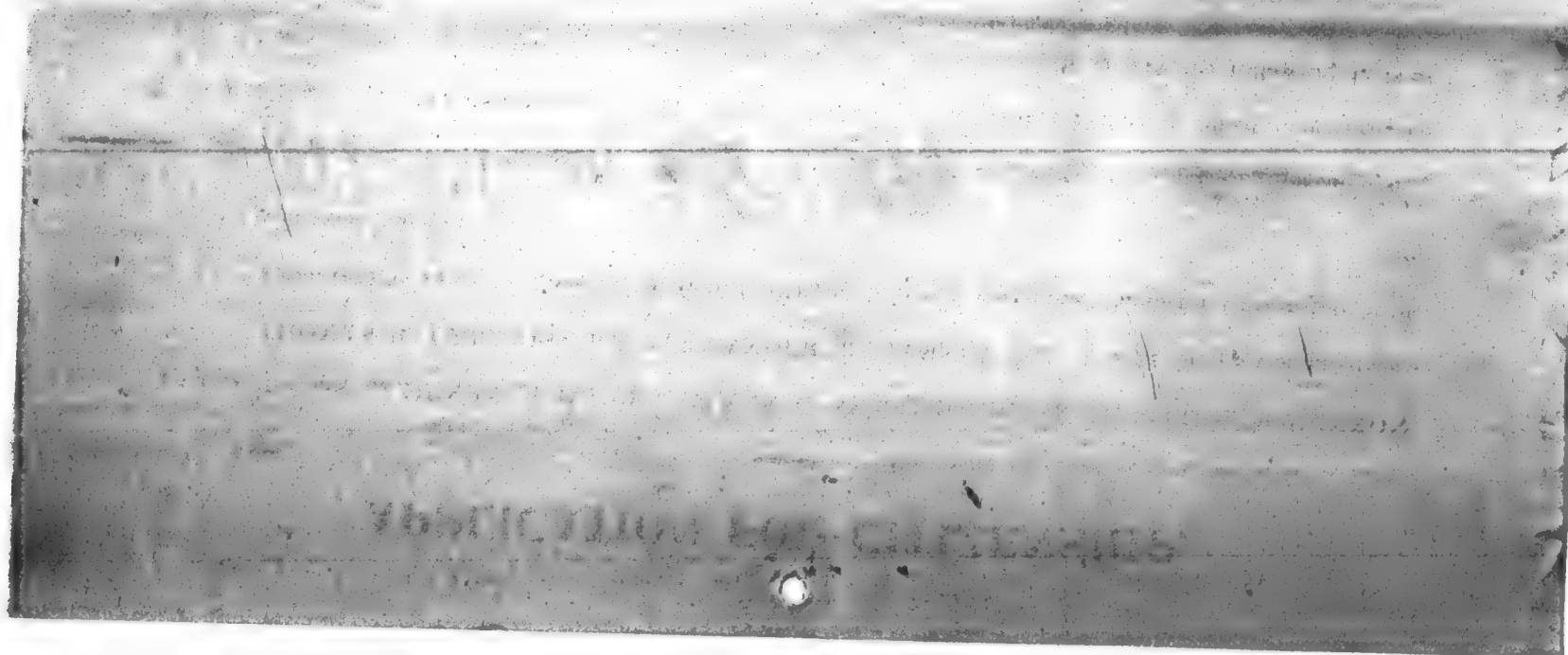
You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sarah E. Dempsey  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. B. Henderson, N. D.

State of Georgia } D. H. L. Hawkins Ordinary of said  
Forsyth County } County do hereby certify that  
T. J. Henderson is a Notary Public  
duly commissioned and qualified and that he has  
authority to administer oaths for general purposes that  
his commission was dated 1895 and  
will expire 1899, that his signature within  
written is genuine so far as I know or believe  
Given under my hand and seal August  
29th 1896. D. H. L. Hawkins Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mary A. Dempsey makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of J. Van Dempsey of one  
of one Elizabeth Dempsey and the Granddaughter of  
of one her and the  
Indian who your petitioner firmly believes was her  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 42 years of age, her postoffice address is Silver City, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Her father was one fourth Indian  
and was so considered by those who knew him

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mary A. Dempsey  
mark By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

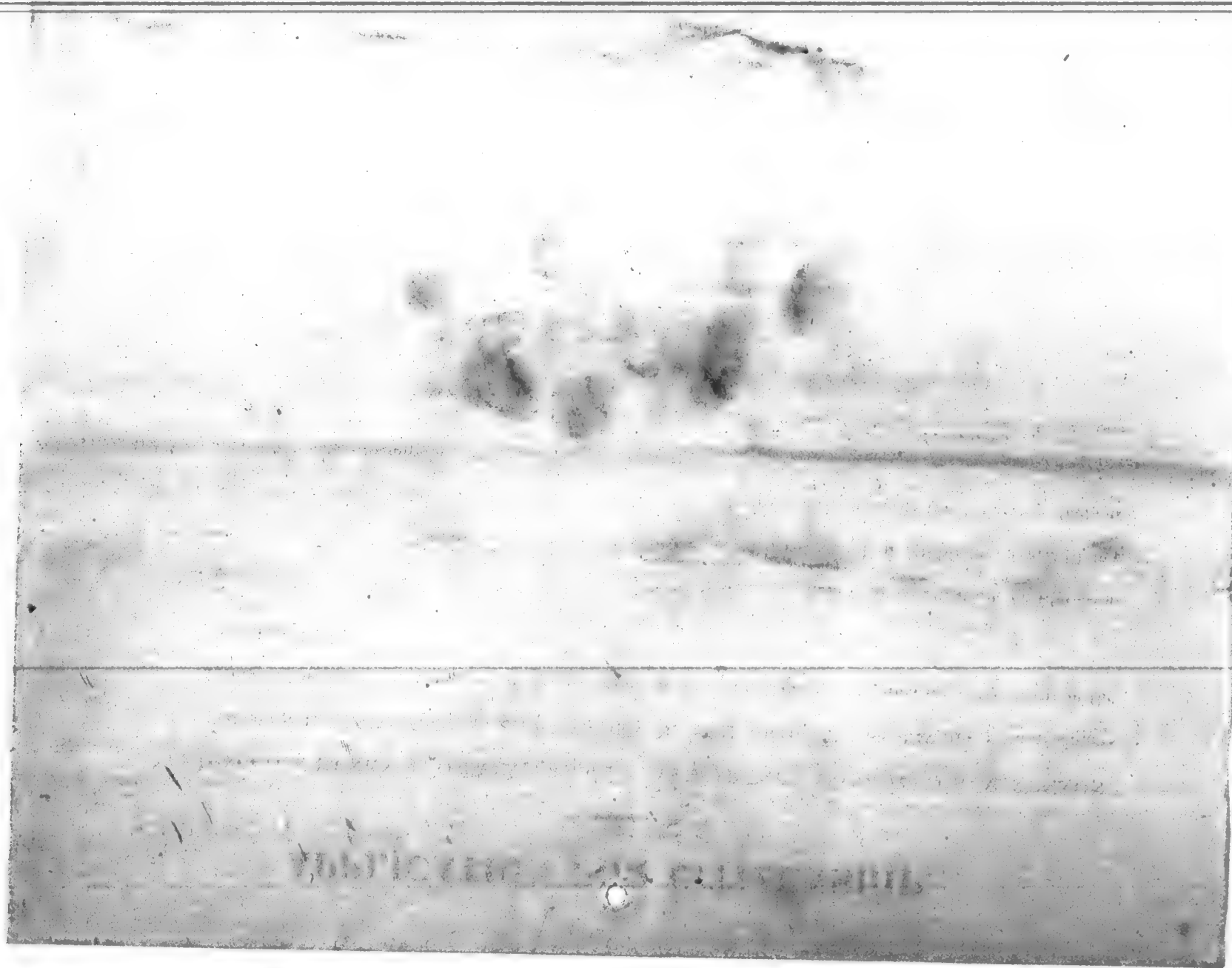
her  
Mary A. Dempsey  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. F. Henderson, N.D.



State of Georgia } I H. L. Hawkins, Ordinary of  
Foreyth County } said County, do hereby certify  
that F. J. Henderson is a Notary  
Public, duly commissioned and qualified  
and has authority to administer oaths for  
general purposes. his commission was  
dated 1895 and will expire  
1899, and his signature  
within written is genuine.  
Given under my hand and  
Seal, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> 1896.  
H. L. Hawkins  
Ordinary.



State of Georgia, County of Douglas

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James W. Kelley & R. R. Smith <sup>73 years old</sup> <sup>63 years old</sup> who after being duly sworn by me, states that is years old, and is architizer of Said State and County of Douglas and that They are personally acquainted with Mary Ann Dempsey who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary A. Dempsey is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of J. Van Dempsey with whom I was acquainted about fifteen years and he always claimed to be of Indian blood and he was the husband of Sarah Dempsey who is the mother of said Mary A. Dempsey and from his appearance and complexion I am satisfied that he of Indian type

Affiant further states that They has known the said Mary A. Dempsey for the past 48 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary A. Dempsey indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary A. Dempsey is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary A. Dempsey to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James W. Kelley  
R. R. Smith  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. P. Henderson, J. P.



State of Georgia } J. H. L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
Forsyth County } of said County, do hereby  
certify that T. J. Henderson  
is a Notary Public duly commissioned and  
qualified, and has authority to administer oaths  
for general purposes, that his commission  
was dated 1875 and will expire  
1895, and that his sig-  
nature within written is genuine  
Given under my hand and seal  
August 29th 1896  
J. H. L. Hawkins  
Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of



State of Georgia, County of Forsyth

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James W. Kelley <sup>73 years old</sup> R. B. Smith <sup>63 years old</sup> who after being duly sworn by me, states that is years old, and is a citizen of Dawson County and said State and that they <sup>are</sup> personally acquainted with Elmyra E. Dempsey who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Elmyra E. Dempsey is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of J. Van Dempsey with whom we were acquainted for 15 years who was the husband of Sarah Dempsey the mother of said Elmyra E. Dempsey who always claimed to be 1/4 Indian and from his physical appearance and complexion he was of genuine Indian blood

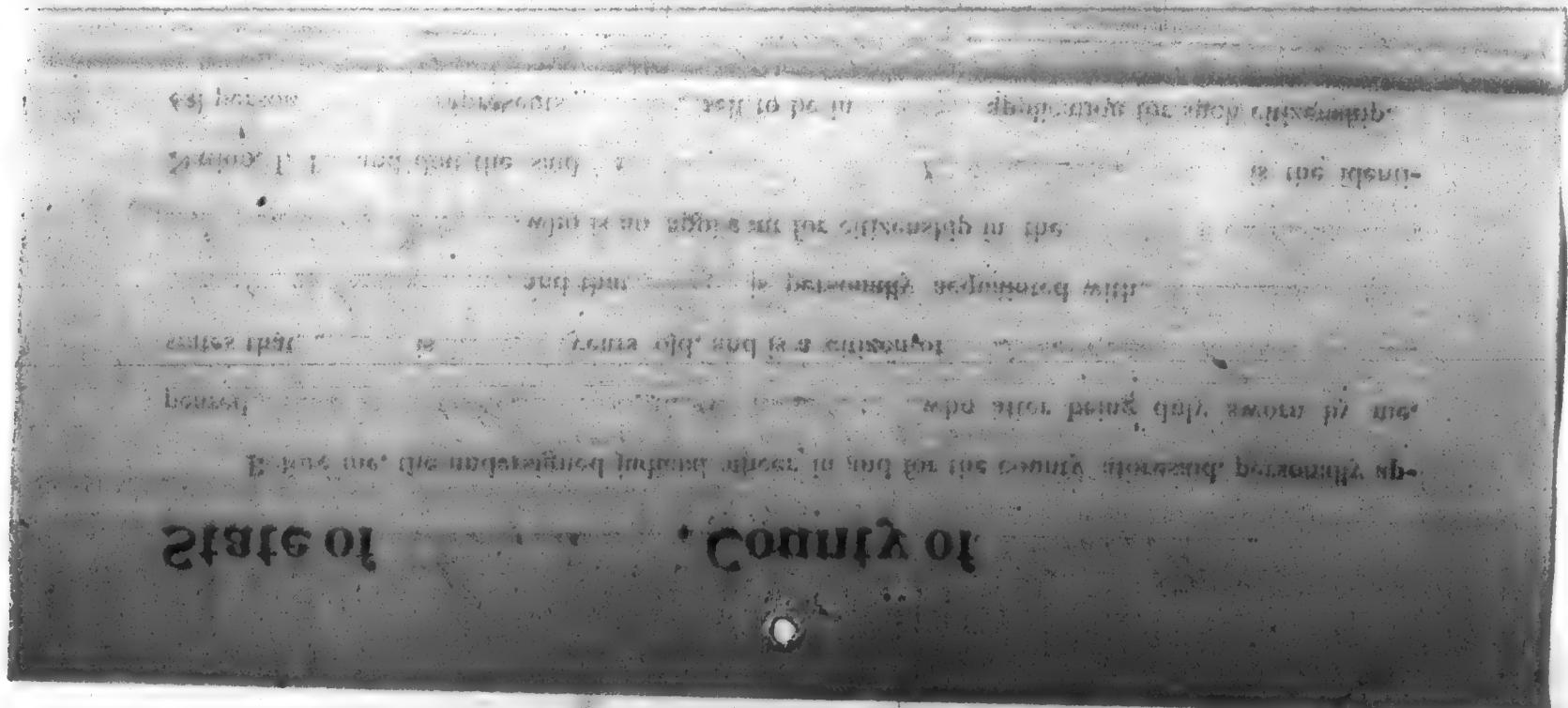
Affiant further states that we <sup>have</sup> ~~has~~ known the said Elmyra E. Dempsey for the past 16 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elmyra E. Dempsey indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who <sup>have known</sup> ~~know~~ him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elmyra E. Dempsey is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he <sup>has</sup> ~~has~~ no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Elmyra E. Dempsey to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James W. Kelley  
R. B. Smith  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. P. Henderson

State of Georgia } I, H. L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
Forsyth County } of said County, do hereby certify  
that T. J. Henderson is a Notary  
Public and has authority to  
administer oaths for general purposes, that his  
commission was dated 1898  
and will expire 1899, and that  
his signature within written is genuine  
Given under my hand and seal  
Aug. 29th 1896. H. L. Hawkins  
Ordinary





State of Georgia, County of Dawson

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James W. Kelly & R. R. Smith <sup>23 years</sup> who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 23 years old, and is a citizen of Dawson County and Said State and that they <sup>are</sup> personally acquainted with Sarah E. Dempsey who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Sarah E. Dempsey is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of J. Van Dempsey  
with whom we were acquainted for 15 years  
the husband of Sarah Dempsey whom we know  
of said Sarah E. Dempsey who always claimed  
to be 1/4 Indian and from his physical appearance  
complexion that we believed him to be of genuine  
Indian blood

Affiant further states that they <sup>have</sup> known the said Sarah E. Dempsey for the past 23 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Sarah E. Dempsey indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Sarah E. Dempsey is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they <sup>have</sup> no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Sarah E. Dempsey to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James W. Kelly  
R. R. Smith  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. P. Henderson, J. P.



State of Georgia } J. L. L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
Forsyth County } of said County, do hereby  
certify that T. J. Henderson  
is a Notary Public, duly commissioned and  
qualified, and has authority to administer  
oaths for general purposes, that his com-  
-mission was dated 1890  
and will expire on the day of 1899,  
and that his signature within written is  
genuine  
Given under my hand and  
Seal, August 29th 1886

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Nation's No. 4315  
Commission's No. 298

In re Application of

Eliza C. Dempsey  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
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S.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*E. C. Danksay*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

*E. C. Danksay*  
..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive *this* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hutchings & Sanderson* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5th* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**

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—VS.—

*The Cherokee Nation*

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J. W. HARRIS, JR.  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 334, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of M. M. Dudley and others involved  
in same case

and

and of the affidavits of each witness thereto attached

In support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

My Commission Expires  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1899.

H. C. Barritt

O. D. McNeill

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

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S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah, Ind.  
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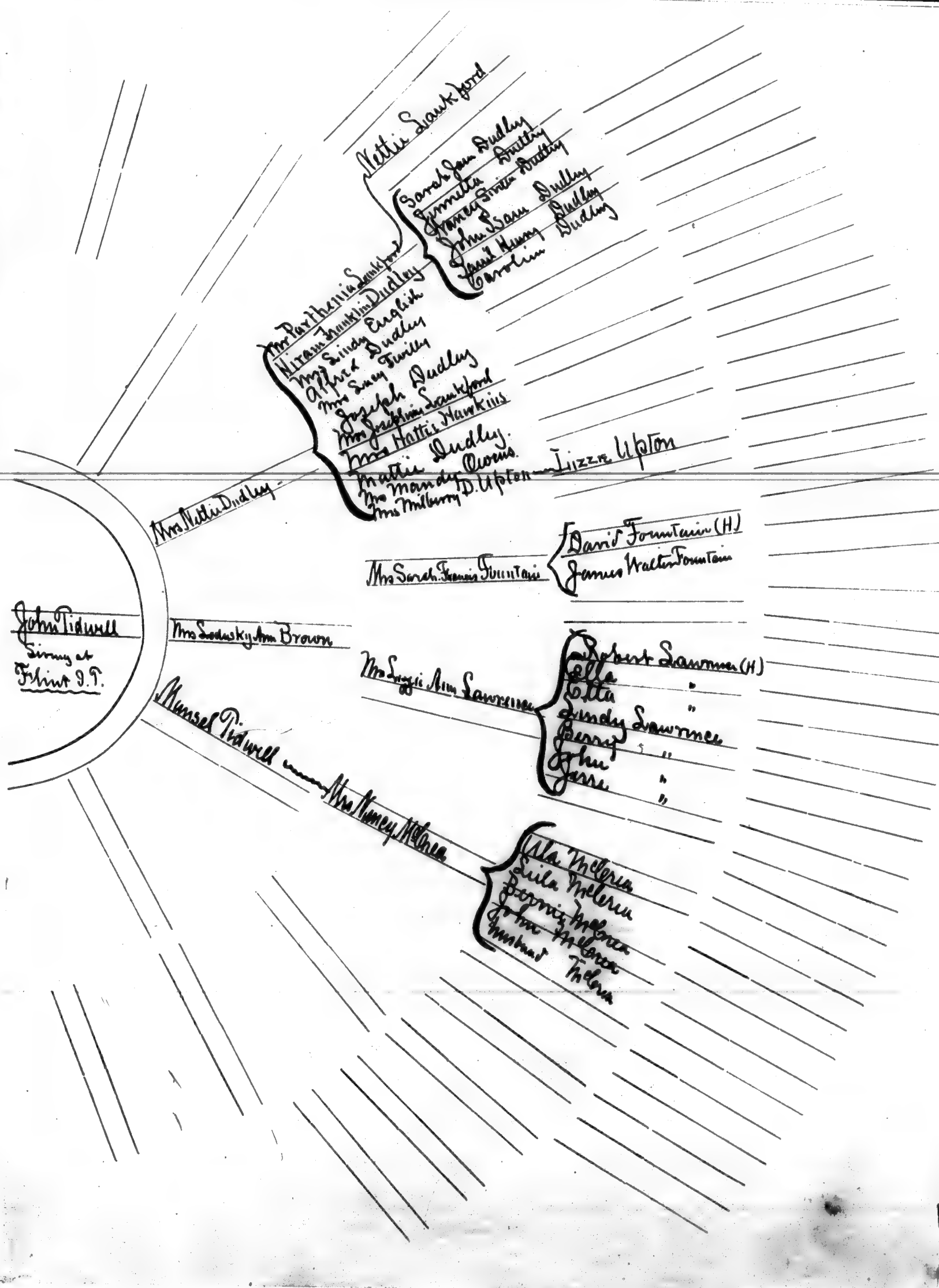
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John Turner's descendants

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**Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.**





# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs. Martha Malinda Dudley makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the wife of Hiram Franklin Dudley the son of one Mrs. Lettie Dudley and Mrs. Lettie Dudley was the daughter of one John Tidwell now a resident citizen of the Cherokee Nation I T. M. who your petitioner firmly believes was is a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Hiram Franklin Dudley is temporarily out of the State. His brothers Alfred & Joseph & his sister Mrs. Mandy Owens & his grand father John Tidwell & several of John Tidwell's children are now resident citizens of the Cherokee Nation & on the rolls

Your petitioner is 37 years of age, her postoffice address is Monticello Paulding Co Ga and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Hiram Franklin Dudley</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>Husband</u>
<u>Sarah Jane</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Jimmie</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Amey Sirilla</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>John Dean</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Samuel Henry</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Caroline</u>	<u>11m</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs. Martha Malinda Dudley  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Barlow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Will E. Patterson Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 26, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Arson Collins  
U.S. Commissioner

State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Thomas Abernathy who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 46 years old, and is a citizen of Panola Co Ga and that he is personally acquainted with Mr & Mrs Hiram Franklin Dudley <sup>family</sup> ~~an~~ who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical person they represents them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

I know Hiram Franklin Dudley and Martha Malinda Dudley are man and wife and that they have six children who are called, Sarah Jane, Jimmetta, Nancy, Sirilla, John Dean, Samuel Henry and Carroll

Hiram Franklin Dudley left the state temporarily during this month

His mother is Mrs Kettie Dudley of Cobb County and her father is old man John Tidmore now in the Cherokee Nation

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants for the past many years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Thomas Abernathy

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 25 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Asa W. Collins  
Notary Public



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Mrs. Nettie Dudley makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one John James a resident and citizen of the Indian Territory and the son of one Mar Flint D.D.

who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

She has sisters who are residents of the Territory & citizens of the Cherokee Nation - Emil Loduka Ann Brown Mrs. Grace Arminda Hughes Mrs. Mary White Mrs. Clementine Sheffield and my sister Mrs. Stephen Myself whose name has been changed by marriage.  
Your petitioner is 30 years of age, her postoffice address is Cartersville, Ga. and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Mrs. Maudey Orrin</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Hiram Franklin Dudley</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Mrs. Emily English</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Alfred Dudley</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Mrs. Susan Trilly</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Joseph Dudley</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Mrs. Josephine Sankford</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Mrs. Mattie Hawkins</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>.</u>
<u>Mattie Dudley</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>.</u>
<u>Leggie Upston</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>Children of dead daughters</u>
<u>Mattie Sankford</u>	<u>6</u>	

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs. Nettie Dudley

By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cobb

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Nettie Dudley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 26, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

W. H. Maitland, J. C. C.



State of Germi, County of De Kalb

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Clarkey Mcnichols who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 90 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that she is personally acquainted with Mrs Nellie Dudley who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mrs Nellie Dudley is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. I know she is the daughter of John Tidwell and the sister of Sodusha Allen Brown. They live in Cherokee Nation I.T. and are citizens of that Nation - Mrs Nellie Dudley has the following named children - Hiram, Mattie, Sindy, English & Stutter and Handy 38 years old Lucy 25 years old Josephine 27 years old John 25 years old. They show the Indian blood Handy is grand daughter of daughter of Shelby apton Mama Elizabeth apton 13 yrs old a grand daughter John apton Tamford 21 yrs old the daughter of partheny Tamford I have known said applicant from her infancy and all of her children.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Mrs Nellie Dudley for the past 35 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs Dudley indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs Dudley is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs Dudley to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness my hand and seal this 21 day of August 1896.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 21 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Debbitts J. P.

State of Georgia, County of ~~Cherokee~~ Paulding.

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared B. F. Furgerson who after being duly sworn by me,

states that he is 75 years old, and is a citizen of State & County

of Forsyth and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs. Dudley

who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mrs. Dudley

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

I know she is the daughter of John Tidwell & sister of Lodovick Ann Brown now citizens of Cherokee Nation I. T.

Her children are William Dudley, Mattie Dudley, 14 years old

Hattie and Mandy now 13 years old Lindy 12 years old

Lucy 11 years old Joseph 10 years old John 9 years old Joseph 8 years old

Mrs. Dudley & her children show Indian blood

plainly

The balance of the children are grand children of grand child the

daughter of William upson of which her mother is Deed

her name is Elizabeth upson she is 13 years old John upson

a grand daughter is 6 years old John upson upson acquainted

with Mrs. Dudley and all of her children and she is

for about 46 or 7 yrs

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mrs. Dudley

for the past 46 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs. Dudley indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Mrs. Dudley is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs. Dudley

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Tibbitts J. P.

13. F. Fargues

affidavit



Georgie Paulding County  
I A L Owens Clerk Superior  
Court in and for said County  
Certify that J W Gibbitt was  
Qualified as a Notary Public in and  
for said County on May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1894 and  
that his Term of Office expires  
July 1898 Given under my  
hand and Seal Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1896  
A L Owens Clk.

State Georgia county of Paulding  
Before me the undersigned judicial officer in and for the  
county aforesaid personally appeared Francis David  
who after being duly sworn by me testified that she is 54 years old and  
is a citizen of the state and county aforesaid  
and that she is ~~partially acquainted with~~ <sup>connected with</sup>  
Mrs Mary Dudley who is an applicant for citizenship  
in the church within. I found that the said  
Mrs Dudley is the identical  
person she represents herself to be in her application  
for such citizenship I know she is the daughter  
daughter of John Tidwell & sister of Lodowick  
Brown who a citizen of Choctaw nation &c.

For children is Hiram Frankline Dudley 33 yrs old  
Dudley also Mandy Owens 38 yrs old Lindy Dudley now  
Lindy English 27 yrs Lucy Dudley now Lucy Twiley 29 yrs  
Josephine Dudley now Josephine Tankford 18 yrs old  
Naty Dudley who is 15 yrs old & Naty Dudley  
who is 14 yrs old & Ford Dudley who is  
27 yrs old Josie Dudley who is 23 yrs old  
& grand daughter of Milbury Dudley of which is head  
was Milbury Apton her child is Lizzie Apton  
of which is 13 ten yrs old & Naty Tankford a  
grand daughter and a daughter of Northerny  
Tankford of which her mother is head  
of which is six yrs old

Affiant further states That She has known  
the said Mrs Sadley for the past 35 years and knows  
that she has been Recognized and treated  
by her neighbors Acquaintances and the public  
generally as a person of indian blood that  
the complexion and physical appearance of the  
said Mrs Sadley indicates the indian type  
that from the above facts and circumstances  
and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew her Longest  
Affiant has ever reason to believe and  
do believe that said Mrs Sadley is of  
genuine indian blood Affiant also  
swears that she has now interest in the  
prosecution of the claim of the said  
Mrs Sadley to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation &c.

James E. David

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted  
with the affiant and know she is to be of  
good character and well worthy of credit

J. W. Gibbith J. P.



Francis David  
Hoffman  
for guilty finding

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sarah Francis Fountain makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That she is the daughter of Lodyska Ann Brown, daughter of one  
John Tidwell who lived in Cherokee County Ga until he  
moved to the Nation - He and my mother Mrs Brown live  
near Flint I. T. and both who your petitioner firmly believes was of them  
are recognized as Cherokee Indians by blood and a duly acknowledged members of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, his post office address is Cartersville Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Her Husband David  
Fountain and one child David Fountain named  
James Walter Fountain -  
my uncle Elias Tidwell and Baby Tidwell and  
my mother's sisters Mrs. Sam Hues + Mrs Harrison  
White are citizens of the Cherokee Nation living  
near Flint I. T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Sarah Francis Fountain

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sarah Francis Fountain  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Anna Collins  
A. S. Collins

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Liza Ann Lawrence makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Louisa Ann Brown and the grand daughter  
of one John Tidwell + both and the recognized as a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 27 years of age, her post office address is Dallas Paulding Co Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: her husband Robert  
Lawrence and her daughter Ella who is eleven  
years old - other 9 year old sister 7 year old very 5 year old  
John Tidwell and Louisa Ann Brown are John's  
now citizens of the Cherokee Nation was first  
I.T. and their names are on the rolls of the  
Nation

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Liza Ann Lawrence  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Paulding

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Liza Ann Lawrence

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Aug 19, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

H. L. Brown  
Clark S. C.



CERTIFICATE TO J. P. OR N. P.

Marshall & Bruce, Stationers, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGIA.

County.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, H. L. Owens, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the 3 day of May, 1874, J. W. Tillman  
was appointed J. P. in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the 1 day of July  
1874, and ending on the 1 day of Aug, 1875, and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed

the seal of said Court, at Dallas Ga

on this the 17 day of Aug, 1876

H. L. Owens, Clerk.

State of Georgia, County of Paulding

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. R. Twilley who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 72 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Nancy McCrea, Frank Buckley & Mrs. Liza Ann Sawner who are an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical persons they represents them - set to be in their application for such citizenship. John Tidwell now a citizen of the Cherokee Nation at Flint D. T. is a half blood Cherokee. He is the father of Manner Tidwell - the grand father of Barley McCrea the daughter of Manner - He is also the father of Doduskachun Brown and Mrs. Kettie Dudley - Mrs. Sarah F. Fountain and Mrs. Liza Ann Sawner are the daughters of Mrs. Doduska Ann Brown. Mrs. Kettie Dudley is the mother of Mrs. Nancy McCrea Hiram Fountain Dudley -

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants for the past 25 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by him neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants as indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

W. R. Twilley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. M. Tibbitts J. P.

CERTIFICATE TO J. P. OR N. P.

Marshall & Bruce, Stationers, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGIA,  
Paulding COUNTY.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, H. L. Owens, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the 3 day of May, 1884, J. W. Tullitts  
was a qualified J.P. in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the 1 day of July  
1884, and ending on the 1 day of July, 1885; and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of said Court, at Dallas Ga  
on this the 19 day of Aug, 1884  
H. L. Owens, Clerk.



State of Georgia, County of Paulding

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mrs. Cynthia Atkins who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 70 years old, and is a citizen of St. Louis & County and that she is personally acquainted with Lige Ann Sammis + Frank Badgett who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical person they represents them - self to be in their application for such citizenship. I have known John T. Atkins

I have known John Tidwell for many years - He was raised by old man Tidwell and was his grandson by "Young Ben" Tidwell - "Young Ben" was a full blooded Cherokee & John Tidwell is a half breed. John Tidwell married my sister & I know him well. He is the father of Maude Tidwell, and also of Nettie Dudley - & also of Lodovicka Ann Brown. Mrs Mary McGee is Maude Tidwells daughter. Mrs Sarah F. Fountain is Lodovicka Ann Browns daughter. Mrs Liza Ann Lawrence is also  
Hiram Franklin Dudley is Nettie Duddleys son and all three are descendants of John Tidwell who now lives at Flint S.T. as a citizen of the Nation.

Affiant further states that she has known the said John Tidwell for the past 60 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John Tidwell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John Tidwell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness By Cynthia & <sup>her</sup> Sister  
Ellen <sup>mae</sup> Wells

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

James M. Tillis, J. T.

CERTIFICATE TO J. P. OR N. P.

Marshall & Bruce, Stationers, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGIA,

*Paulding* COUNTY.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, *H. L. Owens*, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the *3* day of *May*, 18*94*, *J. W. Tishitt*  
was appointed J. P. in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the *1* day of *May*  
18*94*, and ending on the *1st* day of *May*, 18*95*; and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of said Court, at *Dallas Ga*  
on this the *13* day of *May*, 18*94*  
*H. L. Owens*, Clerk.

State of Ga, County of Paulding

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared B. F. Ferguson who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 78 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Liza Ann Sawner, Frank Dudley & Nancy McLean who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical person or they represent him - self to be in this application for such citizenship. They are all grand children of John Tidwell - Among John Tidwells children are Sodeska Ann who married Brown, Kettie who married Dudley and Manner - Manner is the father of Mrs Nancy McLean - Sodeska Ann is the mother of Liza Ann Sawner & Sarah & Fountain - Kettie Dudley is the mother of Hiram Franklin Dudley - John Tidwell is a half blood Cherokee - His father being Young Mr Tidwell - John is now a citizen of the Nation at Flint J. I.

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants down child Liza Ann Sawner 25 1/2 yrs Frank Dudley 22 yrs for the past years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants is indicative of the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

B. F. Ferguson  
Witness By C. P. Ferguson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Tibbitts J. P.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs. Nancy McCreia makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Mary Tidwell and the grand daughter  
of one John Tidwell and the grand daughter  
of one John Tidwell who your petitioner firmly believes was is  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 26 years of age, her post office address is Kennesaw Cobb Co Ga  
and my family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: My husband  
McCreia and the following children: Ula  
six years old, Bernie three (3) years old  
Leila five (5) years old, & John ten months old.  
My Grandfather John Tidwell and some of his descend-  
ants are now on the rolls of the Cherokee Nation as  
Citizens and live near Flint J.T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs. Nancy McCreia

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cobb

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Mrs. Nancy McCreia

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 2nd, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

B. Hearn J.P.

State of *Georgia*, County of *Cobb*

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *H.W. Butler*

who after being duly sworn by me,

states that *he* is *24* years old, and is a citizen of *said State and*

*County*  
*McGee*

and that *he* is personally acquainted with *Mrs. Nancy*

who is an applicant for citizenship in the *Cherokee*

Nation, I. T., and that the said *Nancy McGee* is the identical

person *she* represents. *her* self to be in *her* application for such citizenship.

*Nancy McGee is the daughter of Maure*

*Tidwell -*

*Maure Tidwell is the son of John Tidwell,*

*who is now a citizen of the Cherokee Nation*

*J.T. man Flint Post office -*

*Nancy McGee has four children whose*

*names are 1. Lela - 2. Sheila. 3. Ber-*

*nie & 4 John -*

Affiant further states that *he* has known the said *Mrs. Nancy McGee*  
for the past *5* years and knows that *she* has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said *Nancy McGee* indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said *Nancy* is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
*he* has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *Nancy*  
to citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*H.W. Butler*

*in the presence of*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *21st* day of *August* 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *him* to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

*B. H. Canine J.P.*

STATE OF GEORGIA. } ss.  
County of Cobb. }

I, WILLIAM R. MONTGOMERY, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County of Cobb, State of Georgia, and keeper of the Records and Seal of the same, (the same being a Court of Record.)

Do HEREBY CERTIFY: That

*R. H. Barrie* whose name is

subscribed to the certificate of the proof or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment a Notary Public and Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Cobb, dwelling in the said County, commissioned and qualified, and duly authorized to take the same. AND FURTHER: That I am well acquainted with the handwriting of

said *R. H. Barrie* and verily believe that the signature of the said Certificate of Proof or Acknowledgment is genuine. I FURTHER CERTIFY: That said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said Court, at Marietta, this *27* day of *August*, 189*6*.

*W. R. Montgomery Clerk*

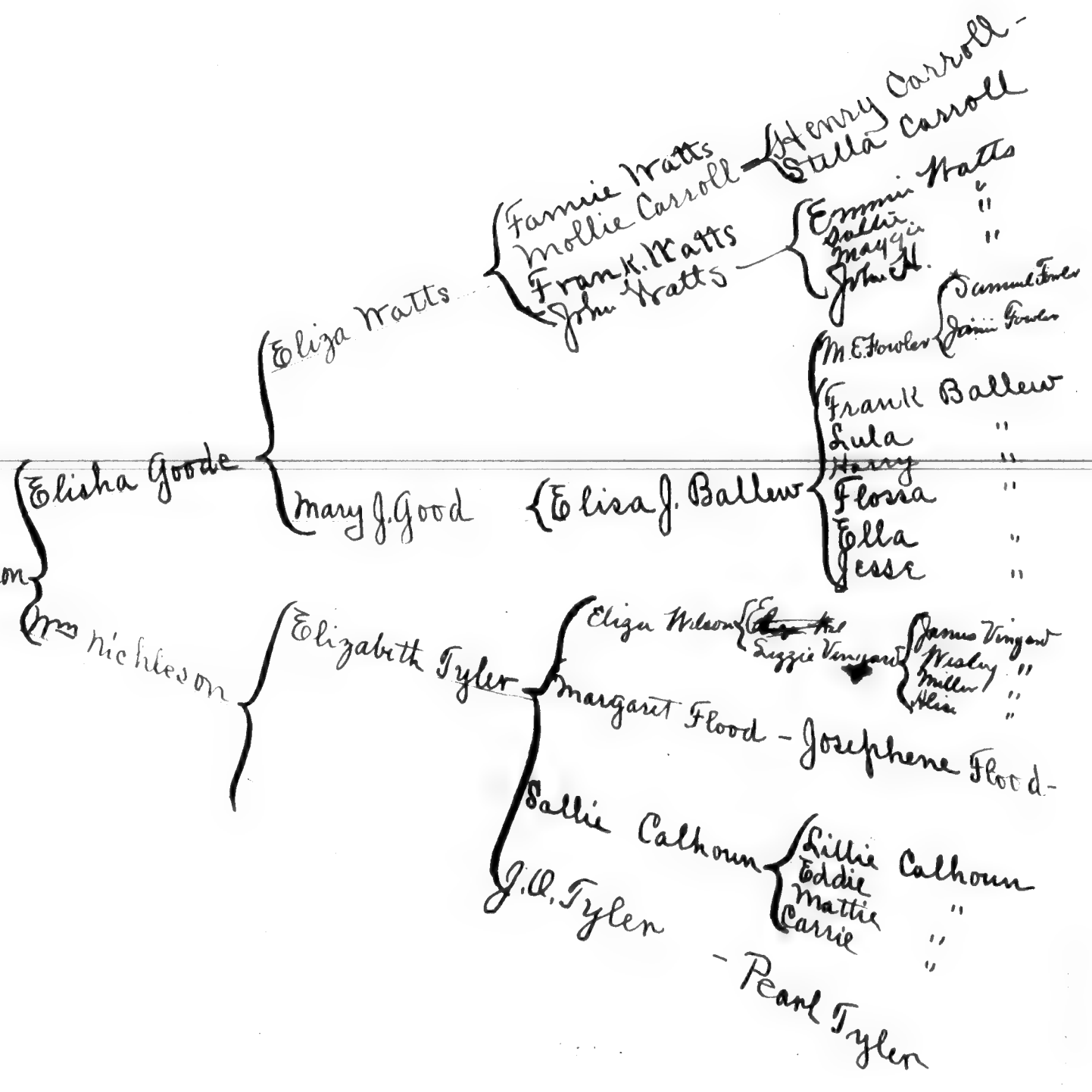


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Nathan Nicholson

Isaac Nicholson





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Sallie Calhoun makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Elinor L. L. and the grand daughter  
of one William L. L. and the great grand daughter  
of one John L. L. who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 29 years of age, his postoffice address is St. Mountain  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Lillie Calhoun</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Eddie</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Mattie</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Carrie</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Sallie Calhoun

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Henry

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sallie Calhoun

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. O'Keefe, Ordinary

State of Ok, County of Nowata

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary A. Smith - M. A. Tyler who after being duly sworn by me, states that she 72-77-81 years old, and is a citizen of Nowata and that she is personally acquainted with Pattie Colburn who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Pattie Colburn is the identical person she represents by self to be in her application for such citizenship.

I am and have known applicant all  
her life & know that she is the  
daughter of David Tyler, Elizabeth  
Tyler who was the daughter of William  
Wickham & grand daughter of Isaac  
Wickham and great grand daughter

Affiant further states that she has known the said applicant for the past 29 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Pattie Colburn indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Pattie Colburn is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Pattie Colburn to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary A. Smith  
Samuel M. Jones  
M. A. Tyler  
J. W. Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Z. J. Roby, Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Josephine Flood makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the only legitimate daughter of one Robert Lusk and the grand daughter of one William Wilson and the great-grand of one Exatah who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

He is not living with me  
as he is an orphan

Your petitioner is 18 years of age, his postoffice address is At Home and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

STATE OF Idaho, COUNTY OF Blaine

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27 1898, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the within petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

2 J. Roby. Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

State of Idaho, County of Blaine

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary A. Fink who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 72-72 years old, and is a citizen of Maryland and that she is personally acquainted with Josephine Flood who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Josephine is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant knows applicant all her life and knows that she is the daughter of J. P. Flood Marcell Flood who was the daughter of David Lyster & Eliabeth Lyster was the daughter of William Nichols & the grand daughter of Isaac Nichols & the great grand daughter of North Nichols

Affiant further states that she has known the said Josephine Flood for the past 18 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Josephine Flood indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Josephine Flood is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Josephine Flood to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. Mary A. Fink

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Robey Ordinary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Elisa J. Ballou makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Samuel J. Ballou and the grand daughter of one Elisa J. Ballou and the great-grand daughter of one Isaac Ballou who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is St. Mountain Tenn and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
Frank Ballou	13	son
Lula "	12	daughter
Henry "	11	son
Alfred "	9	daughter
Eller "	6	"
Isaac "	2	son

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elisa J. Ballou  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Wm

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Elisa J. Ballou

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. J. Arby, Ordinary



State of Pa, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary A. Leusch W. A. Lyon & Sons who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are years old, and is a citizen of Murray County State of Pa and that they is personally acquainted with Oliver J. Ballen who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Applicant knows that the said Applicant is a daughter of name Jane Good Wife of Wm Good the said Wm Good was the son of James Nicholson who was the son of Wm Nicholson who was a full blood Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that they has known the said Applicant for the past 35 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary A. Leusch  
Witness  
W. A. Lyon & Sons

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Coffey, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mollie Carroll makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Deschick Mith. and the grand daughter  
of one Ellen Lloyd and the great-grand daughter  
of one Logan Nicholson who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
half-breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 18 years of age, his postoffice address is J. H. Murren  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Jenny Carroll</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Stella</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mollie Carroll  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Wm

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Mollie Carroll

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Ruby, Ordinary

State of Ga, County of Wm

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared, Mary D Knick N A Ly who after being duly sworn by me,

states that she is 72 years old, and is a citizen of Wm

Ga and that she is personally acquainted with Mellie

Cornell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Mellie Cornell is the identical

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant - knows that said Applicant  
by the deaths of Elizabeth Watts was  
daughter of one Oliver Watts; who  
was a daughter of Isaac Wicks  
who was a son of Nathan  
Wicks & who was a full blood  
Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that she has known the said Applicant  
for the past 18 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary D Knick  
Samuel M Jones  
Wm D Ly

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August, 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Z. J. Oby Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John O. Tyler makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Elizabeth Tyler of one William and the grand son of one Nicholson and the great grand son of one Isaac Nicholson who your petitioner firmly believes was a half bred Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is        years of age, his postoffice address is St. Mount Airy Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Bessie Tyler</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John O. Tyler  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Henry

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

John O. Tyler  
J. J. Oakes, Ordinary

State of Lu, County of Henry

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary A. Knick, M. A. Lyler, D. W. Brown who after being duly sworn by me, states that this one 72 years old, and is a citizen of Henry County and that he is personally acquainted with John D. Lyler who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicant is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Applicant John D. Lyler (known as Dail) John Lyler far her last 30 years ago, knows the is the son of Dail Lyler Elmer aborn Lyler the son of Elmer Lyler the son of applicant is the daughter of William Wickham who was the son of Isaac Wickham who was a half breed Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that they has known the said applicant for the past 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary A. Knick  
Samuel M. Jones  
W. A. Lyler  
D. W. Brown  
27 day of August 1896.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Roby, Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Elizabeth Watts makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Elisad Wright and the grand daughter of one George Nicholson and the great grand daughter of one Nathan Nicholson who your petitioner firmly believes was a full blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 52 years of age, his postoffice address is Ft. Mountain Ga and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Fannie Watts</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Frank Watts</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elizabeth Watts  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Merri

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Elizabeth Watts

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. J. Okey Ordinary



State of Gu, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary J. Smith, W.A. Tyler, S.M. Jones who after being duly sworn by me, states that she <sup>72-77- for 100 years</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Murray County State of Ga and that she is personally acquainted with Elyabeth Watts who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Elyabeth Watts is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant knows many applicants for the last thirty years and knows that she is the daughter of Mrs Eleana Good wife of Benjamin Good Eleana Good was the daughter of Isaac Nicholson 18th was a half breed Cherokee and she is now dead and affiant knows the said Isaac Nicholson and knows that he was a half breed Cherokee and Indian from his appearance and habits and c

Affiant further states that she has known the said Elyabeth Watts for the past 32 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elyabeth Watts indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elyabeth is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Elyabeth Watts to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary A. Smith  
W.A. Tyler  
S.M. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Roby Ordinary

Application for citizenship

Under the laws of Cherokee Indian  
Claims, authorized by an act of Congress  
of June 4th/1846 to her and determine Claims  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
The undersigned Lizzie Vingard makes  
this application for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation &c. as a Cherokee Indian by  
blood in accordance with the act of  
Congress & the laws of the Cherokee Nation  
and respectfully submits the following  
facts as the grounds of her claim to wit -

That she is the daughter of Lisa-Wilson who  
is the daughter of Elizabeth Lyden who is the  
daughter William Nicholson, who was a half  
bred Cherokee Indian, who gave her name  
from her beliefs was a half bred Cherokee  
Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged  
member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and gave her  
petitioner named his Indian blood settling him  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation that because of  
paid ancestors should appear on the census rolls  
on the Cherokee east of the Mississippi river,  
Your petitioner, is 21 years old, her past office is Longhairs  
the Marybany and her family by virtue of Cherokee  
Indian blood is as follows James Vingard husband age  
29 years Wesley Vingard son age 4 years, Miller Vingard  
son age 2 years, Allie Vingard daughter age 8 months  
old - Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of

Lizzie <sup>her</sup> ~~mark~~ <sup>friend</sup> and

You, however, tho' the facts set forth in the above and  
mying petition are true, & the best of abilities your  
knowledge & belief so help you God.

On or about & subscribed before me this August 8/1846 and  
 hereby certify that the petition is known to me as  
 the Person she represents herself in her petition  
 and is a person of good character and worthy  
 of credit  
 L. J. O'Bye, Ordinary



See Mary Currier

Previously appeared before  
me & Mr. James & Mesly Tyler  
who are both say this woman  
are acquainted with Lucie  
Vingorff who was a daughter  
of Eliza Wilson who is a  
daughter of Elizabeth Tyler  
who is a daughter William Nicholas  
affirms have known applicant  
all her life and person that  
she has always passed as  
having Indian blood,  
in her have no interest  
in the prosecution of said  
claim for citizenship in  
the United States which  
man to do so and

Done in the August 31/1894

L. J. Coby, Ordinary

L. J. Coby  
W. A. Tyler

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP. .

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned, E. M. E. Watts who is the wife of the said  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That John Henry Watts is the Son of Mrs. Mary Watts  
of one Sarah Watts, wife and the John Watts of one  
of one John Henry Watts, was a son of John Henry Watts  
and a daughter of Eliza Watts Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 41 years of age, his postoffice address is Mountain, Ga.  
and        family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney

STATE OF Ark, COUNTY OF Hesse  
 You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

*L. J. Robey, Ordinary*

State of Ky, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Wm. H. Knapp, Jr. who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 72 years old, and is a citizen of Mass.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ years old, and is a citizen of \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and that \_\_\_\_\_ is personally acquainted with \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ who is an applicant for citizenship in the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nation, I. T., and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ is the identical  
 person who represents \_\_\_\_\_ self to be in \_\_\_\_\_ application for such citizenship.

affairs I know two said Susan Hall  
the wife of John Henry Worth deed and the  
she has three children by said man  
and said John Hall has a son  
Elizabeth Hall, who was a daughter  
of Eliza Cook who was a daughter  
of ~~the~~ Isaac Hickman —

Affiant further states that they has known he said  
for the past 20 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said Emmen Halls, indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said Emmen Halls, is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said  
to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T. Mary A. French

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Coby, Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Martha E. Fowler makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Elisha Jane Baines and the granddaughter of one William James Broad and the great-granddaughter of one Olivia Broad who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 17 years of age, his postoffice address is La Mountain and he family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Samuel Fowler</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Janie</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

\*Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Martha E. Fowler  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Merri

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Martha E. Fowler  
J. J. Robey, Ordinary

State of Ark, County of County

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary A. Monk, H. A. Lyle who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 72 years old, and is a citizen of Mary, Kansas and that she is personally acquainted with Mother E. Lown who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mother E. Lown is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant's home show affiant's all her life. I now, she is the daughter of Eliza Jane Ballen who was a daughter of Harvey Jane Road, who was a daughter of Eliza her was a daughter of Loose half bred Cherokee under

Affiant further states that she has known the said Mother E. Lown for the past 17 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mother E. Lown indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mother E. Lown is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mother E. Lown to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary A. Monk  
H. A. Lyle

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Robey, Ordinary

No. 2048 300

Court.

Term, 189

Calhoun, Flood et al

—vs.—

The Cherokee Nation

ORIGINAL

*Replied*

Filed in Clerk's office

7 Sept 1896

*H M Jernoy* Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for



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Nation's No. 717.

Commission's No.

In re Application of  
Ellen Ballew, and Children.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
Ellen Ballew, and children.

Nation's No. 717.

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that Zeke McLaughlin

through whom the petitioner claim to derive her right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Respondent further says that the applicant is a Choctaw Indian, born  
and reared in the Choctaw Nation, and a recognized citizen of said  
Nation, exercising, and enjoying all the rights, and privileges of  
said Nation; that she has at no time resided in the Cherokee Nation,  
or owned any property or effects in said Nation.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot,

Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 8th day of Sept. 1896.

B. J. Ball

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Nation's No. 3739  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

Sallie Calhoun

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Sallie Calhoun*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that..... *Isaac Nickleson*

..... through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *Oct*, 189*6*.

*J. J. Ball*

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**End**

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Nation's No.

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Commission's No.

In re Application of

P. M. Carter et al.

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT 21,  
M. JACOWAY-

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*P. M. Carter et al*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* are entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Wm Frederick*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *their* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Band* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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No.	2024 301
Court.	
Term, 189	
J. M. Carter et al	
—vs.—	
The Cherokee Nation	
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H. M. Johnson Clerk.	
J. W. HARRIS, JR.,	
CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 370, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Francis M. Carter and others  
under same comm

and

and of the affidavits of all the witnesses thereto attached

in support of same.

H. C. Barritt

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

my comm. expir  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1899,

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at <u>VINITA,</u>	
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.	
Registered Letter Parcel	No. <u>370</u> Rec'd <u>SEP 7 1896</u>
of <u>J. W. Harris</u>	
addressed to <u>S. H. Mayes</u>	
<u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u>	
<u>Per Francis M. Carter</u>	
<u>P. M.</u>	

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Francis M. Carter makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Frederick & Peggy Carter and the grand son  
of one William Frederick Carter and the great grand son  
of one full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 53 years of age, his postoffice address is Isabella, Tenn.,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Margaret Jane (wife) age 45. 2. Fanny age 22.  
3. Fanny daughter of Fanny age 2 mo. 4. Morian age 15.  
5. Jacob age 14. 6. Sarah age 12.  
My uncle Nelson Carter. drew money  
at Murphy N.C.,

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

N. B. Mahan F. M. Carter  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Mahan. Clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Thomas J. Carter makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the son of one Frederick Carter and the great grand son  
of one William J. Carter and the great grand son  
of one John who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 46 years of age, his postoffice address is Isabella, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
1. Frederick age 16. 2. Rosie age 15. 3. Sander  
age 12. 4. Reba age 11. 5. John age 10.  
6. Morgan (Kennedy) age 22. Has three  
children - 7. Addie Carter age 4. 8. wife  
of petitioner - My uncle Nelson Carter  
drew money at Murphy, Tenn.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Thomas J. Carter  
JAMES HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Dallas

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Thomas J. Carter  
John

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Graham clerk



State of Tennessee, County of Polk

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Carter & P. M. Bell who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 29 years old, and is a citizen of Polk Co., Tenn., and that they are personally acquainted with Thomas J. Carter who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Thomas J. Carter is the identical person he represents him self to be in this application for such citizenship.

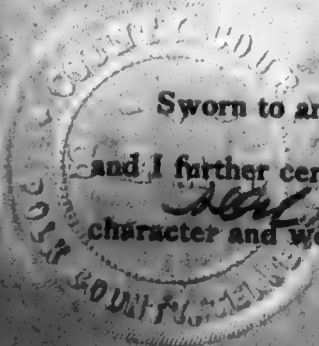
It has been generally understood in the neighborhood that said Thomas J. Carter is of Indian descent. His parents were of Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states that they have known the said Thomas J. Carter for the past 22 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Thomas J. Carter indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who know him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Thomas J. Carter is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Thomas J. Carter to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Carter  
P. M. Bell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 15 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

A. B. Graham, Clerk



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF North Carolina  
COUNTY OF Cherokee

Justice of the Peace

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, Justice of the Peace, in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Nancy Anderson who, after being by me, duly sworn states that she is 83 years of age, and a citizen of Gutherson County and State of North Carolina and that she is personally acquainted with Thomas J. Carter who is an applicant for citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Thomas J. Carter is the identical person he represents him self to be in making application for citizenship in said Nation and that said Thomas J. Carter is a descendant of the Cherokee tribe of Indians that formerly inhabited the State of North Carolina that said Thomas Carter is the son of Fredrick Carter and Peggy Carter that said Thomas Carter inherited Indian blood from his mother whose maiden name was Peggy Carter and who was included in said Cherokee tribe. Affiant further states that she has known the said Thomas J. Carter for the past 30 years and knows that he is and has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Peggy Carter indicate that the said mother is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Peggy Carter Affiant states she has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Thomas J. Carter is of 1/4 Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that she has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Thomas J. Carter citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of October A. D. 1897  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Nancy Anderson and know her to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.

My commission expires on the 1st day of May  
J. P. BYERS, Attorney-at-Law,  
Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Notary Public  
1897

End



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Nation's No. 347  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
In re Application of

Juan Watkins  
and  
Alvin Watkins

**Demurrer and Answer.**  
*Filed Dec 7, 1896.*  
*H. H. Fowler*  
*per*

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John Watkins and  
Alice Watkins*

Nation's No. *347*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurres, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Watkins*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Respondent, for a further and complete defense to the aforesaid Application says: That, heretofore  
said applicant made application before a legally constituted Court, or Commission on citizenship, having  
jurisdiction over applications for re-admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation; That the said case was  
tried upon its merits; that upon a final hearing, judgment was duly given against the applicant and in favor  
of this Nation. A duly certified transcript of the aforesaid proceedings and judgment are annexed hereto  
and made a part of this answer.

*is a recognized citizen of the Cherokee Nation  
and his wife & children are entitled to enrollment  
which will be down the Census taken on  
application*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Nathaniel Hastings Bonduick*

Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

day of

*Oct*

1896.

*S. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC



Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TALLEGUAH INDIAN TERRITORY.

1896

Received from

*Queen Watkins*

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

*Applications of Queen and Alice Watkins  
Affidavits of Queen Watkins*

certified to by

*J. H. Kough, N.P.*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

*Queen Watkins & Alice Watkins*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*F. J. Boush*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.

*att'y for Chk. Nat*

Indian Territory  
Northern District

*Will. E. Linton* of lawful age being first duly  
sworn deposes and says that on the ~~28~~ day of August 1896 I  
delivered a true copy of the attached petition and testimony  
to the Honorable S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee  
Nation at the town of Tahlequah in said Cherokee Nation.

*Will. E. Linton*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this ~~28~~ day of August 1896

*John H. T. Kuyler*  
Notary Public.

To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on citizenship in the Five  
Civilized Tribes in the Indian Territory

Your petitioner the undersigned, Mrs. Queen Watkins on behalf  
of herself and her minor daughter, Alice Watkins respectfully state  
that they are citizens of the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian  
Territory and ask to be enrolled as members of said Cherokee  
Nation, and as grounds therefore say:

That the said petitioner Queen Watkins was on or about *Dec.*  
*23d 1884* lawfully intermarried with John Watkins, then  
and now ~~King~~ a duly recognized citizen and member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians, enjoying all the rights and privileges  
pertaining to such citizenship, and has ever since such marriage  
lived with him as his lawful wife. That to said petitioner and her  
said Husband John Watkins there has been born three children viz: :  
Lucy Watkins near the age of Seven years, Mayes Watkins near the  
age of five years and Alice Watkins near the age of two years.

That the said husband of this petitioner, John Watkins togeth-  
er with the two oldest of said children are duly recognized members  
and citizens of the said Cherokee Nation and their names appear  
upon the Census rolls of the membership of said Nation and upon  
the census rolls made preparatory to the Cherokee strip payment and  
they have each been paid their respective portions and shares of  
said Cherokee strip payment, but that the names of this petitioner  
Queen Watkins and her said minor daughter, Alice Watkins have not  
been entered upon the census rolls of said Nation as members there-  
of.

Petitioner further avers that she is at present residing  
with her husband at Muscogee Indian Territory where he is tempora-  
rily living for business purposes, having removed from Okla-



quash Cherokee "ation the first of this year, as her said husband is a member of the bar of the United States Court and is in active practice as an attorney and counselor at law in said United States Court of the Indian Territory and Muscogee is a more convenient place to prosecute his profession, but that the permanent home of her said husband and herself and family is the said Cherokee Nation.

Your petitioner therefore states that by reason of her said marriage with the said John Watkins, thus recognized as a Cherokee citizen, she became and is likewise a citizen of said "ation and ~~of herself and husband John Watkins~~ prays that she and ~~the~~ said minor daughter, Alice Watkins, be recognized as members and citizens of said Nation and entitled to all the rights and privileges of other Cherokee citizens and their names be enrolled as members of said Nation together with the said John Watkins and the full brother and sister of said Alice Watkins, Lucy and ~~Mayes~~ Watkins.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

*Ineen Watkins*

*Mrs. Ineen Watkins* being duly sworn depose and say that I have heard read the foregoing petition and that the allegations therein made are true.

*Ineen Watkins*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of August

1890

*John W. Kingle*  
Notary Public

No. 418-302

Before the Dawes  
Commission on  
Citizenship in the  
Five Tribes

Green Watkins  
& Alice Watkins

In names of  
Wife & Daughter

The Cherokee Nation  
Filed Sept 21-1894

A. S. McKeen  
Commissioner  
Petition for  
recognition &  
enrollment

Granted -

John Watkins  
For Petitioners  
Accepted

**End**



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To The Hon Henry L. Dawes  
Chairman of the Commission to the  
five civilized tribes  
authorized to hear and determine  
claims to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

In the case of Jane Colkins  
(nee Beaner) who certifies that  
she is a Cherokee Indian  
by blood deriving the same  
from her father whose name  
was Beaner and was enrolled  
by the U.S. Agent under the  
Treaty of 1835 as a Cherokee  
Indian.

The evidence given in support  
of her claim is as follows  
A statement certifying to the  
credibility of the said Jane  
Colkins (nee Beaner) signed  
by B.H. Rice and et al  
and affidavit of John Colkins  
and others all as are signed  
by Edw. M. Lally A. J. Erb and  
Malinda Biggs  
and the affidavit of Isaac Ashton  
and one other of L.M. Morton  
William Burton and  
Sarah M. Burton.

We submit the claim  
and we contend that the several

claimants are lineal descendants of  
Bever named in the petition and  
should be entitled to enrollment.

Rept. Submitted

C. H. Taylor,



TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:-----

The undersigned citizens of Onawa, Iowa do hereby state that they are well acquainted with William Burton, Sarah<sup>M</sup> Burton his wife, and L. M. Merton who made affidavit on or about August 21, 1896 as to the identity of Mrs. Jane B. Calkins whose maiden name was Jane Beamer; and that they know said affiants are honest, upright and worthy citizens, in whose statements, whether under oath or not, implicit confidence can be safely reposed.

Dated September 3, 1896.

C. M. Rose  
A. Higdon, Lawyer  
J. M. McEaster, Merchant  
B. F. Rose, Coltr  
S. T. Burns, Sheriff  
E. S. Coney, Co Auditor  
L. W. M. Williams, Atty  
Tom W. John, County Recorder  
O. S. Willey, County Treasurer

State of Kansas  
Cherokee County, ss

In the matter of claim of  
Citizenship of Jane Beaman in the Cherokee  
Nation. Personally appeared before me a  
Notary Public in and for the County and State  
aforesaid John Calkins, Sr., Caroline Calkins,  
Mary A. Rogers, S. E. Calkins and Julia  
Childs first by me <sup>being</sup> duly sworn separately and  
say that each affiant is personally acquainted  
with Jane Beaman as aforesaid and that said  
acquaintance has been continuous from the 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of May A.D. 1869 date of marriage of said Jane  
Beaman to James J. Calkins and affiants were  
each personally present at said marriage at the  
time stated at Decatur County, Nebraska  
except affiant Julia Childs and affiants are  
well known to the fact that said Jane Beaman  
is the identical person named in the affidavits  
hereto attached and that one have been informed  
that said Jane Beaman was of Cherokee Indian  
blood from her father.

John Calkins

Caroline J. Calkins

Mary A. Rogers

S. E. Calkins

Julia Childs

Subscribed and sworn to this 3<sup>d</sup> day of  
September A.D. 1896

My comm. exp.  
Oct 27, 1897

J. B. Doeden  
Notary Public

Affiants Subscribing to the within  
affidavit are creditable persons  
and so reputed in the neighborhood  
where they live to the best of the  
knowledge and belief of the parties  
Subscribing hereto.

J. B. Boudin  
C. L. Davis



State of \_\_\_\_\_ } Indian Chieftain Print. Vinita.  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } SS

Jane A. Galkins after being duly sworn states on oath  
my age is 46 years; a resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_  
county and state aforesaid; postoffice Blondville Mo. and has the  
following children to-wit:

<u>John R. Galkins</u>	age	<u>25</u>	years
<u>William B. Galkins</u>	"	<u>23</u>	"
<u>Alva J. Galkins</u>	"	<u>19</u>	"

who were born to me in lawful wedlock and are my children as set forth in my ap-  
plication for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. There are my married

Children. \_\_\_\_\_  
Witness: Jane Galkins

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1898.

J. B. Darns  
Notary Public

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do certify,  
that \_\_\_\_\_  
credible person and \_\_\_\_\_ entitled to full faith and credit before any of the courts of the  
state of \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_ } Indian Chieftain Print. Vinita.  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } ss  
Jane, Colkin, after being duly sworn states on oath  
my age is 46 years; a resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_  
county and state aforesaid; postoffice Blundville, Mo and has the  
following children to-wit:  
Seth Colkin age 19 years  
Phillip Colkin " 15 "  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

who were born to me in lawful wedlock and are my children as set forth in my ap-  
plication for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Witness: Jane Colkins  
J. D. Dornip  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 28 day of Aug. 1896.  
J. D. Dornip  
Notary Public

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do certify,  
that \_\_\_\_\_  
creditable person and \_\_\_\_\_ entitled to full faith and credit before any of the courts of the  
state of \_\_\_\_\_  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioners, authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN:—

The undersigned, your petitioner,

*Jane Balkins*

for and on behalf of *herself*

and heirs, this day make their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of the funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and Petitioner state that *They are* Cherokee Indian by blood, deriving the same from *Beamer, who lived on Etowah River, Cass County, State of Georgia*

whose name will be found on the authenticated rolls of the Cherokees by blood, taken in the years 18 *35* the same to be submitted to your Honorable Commission for a full and complete investigation, and if found correct as stated, to be granted all the rights, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee citizens, and petitioner herewith files *there* proof in support of said claim, and respectfully awaits the time when *there* application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jane Balkins*

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

Names.	Ages.	Relationship.
<i>Seth Balkins</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>son</i>
<i>Phillip Balkins</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>"</i>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF hereunto set hand this day of

1896.

Witnessed by Two Indian Commissioners, Vinita, T.T.

*Jane Balkins*



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

Jane Balklin

of lawful age being duly sworn states that he knows  
the facts set forth in the above and foregoing application and that the same are true  
as he verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

My commission expires

Nov 8 1896

J. D. Murphy  
Notary Public.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

State of Iowa }  
Harrison County } S.S. Affidavit

We Eli M. Colley, J. F. Erb, Malinda Driggs, Rebecca Carpenter  
being first-duly sworn do severally depose and  
say that we are residents of Harrison County and  
State of Iowa and our post office address is Little  
Sioux Harrison County State of Iowa and that  
we are personally acquainted with Mrs. Jane B.  
Galkins the present wife of James J. Galkins, and  
have known her ever since she was a child of  
three or four years old, her maiden name was Jane  
Beamer and she resided while a small child  
and up to the time she married said James J.  
Galkins in the family of Isaac Ashlone of Monroe  
County Iowa and during her residence with said  
Isaac Ashlone we saw her very frequently and knew  
her well and it was generally understood by all  
her acquaintances that said Jane Beamer now  
Mrs. James J. Galkins or Jane B. Galkins was of Indian  
blood and of Cherokee descent, that she was of  
Indian blood was plainly observable and it was  
understood she was of the Cherokees

This affidavit is made from our own personal  
knowledge of the facts stated and we think the same  
to be true

Eli M. Colley

J. F. Erb

Malinda Driggs

Rebecca Carpenter

(1002)

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to  
before me by Eli M. Colley A. J. Erb  
Malinda Driggs and Rebecca Carpenter  
this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August A.D. 1896

Linus H. Bassett

Notary Public

Resident for Harrison County Ia

My commission expires July 4<sup>th</sup> 97



State of Iowa  
Harrison County

Affidavit

I Isaac Ashton a resident of River Sioux  
Harrison County, State of Iowa being under oath depose  
and say that I am well acquainted with Jane  
B. Galkens, now wife of James J. Galkens, and have  
known her ever since she was a small child her name  
before marriage to James J. Galkens was Jane Beamer  
Jane Beamer was left with me where she was  
about three years old by her uncle an Indian  
for me to raise when he left her he also left me  
a paper showing that she was the Child of one Beamer  
after a short time I received a letter from said Beamer  
to keep and rear the child and let no one have it  
except by his order the Child's mother was a full  
blood Cherokee squaw and the father part Cherokee  
and the child was of Cherokee Indian blood  
the letter sent me by the father, and the paper left  
me by the uncle have been lost or destroyed  
The facts stated are from my personal  
knowledge and true

Isaac Ashton

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before  
me by Isaac Ashton above named this 22nd  
day of August A.D. 1894

Lucius H. Bassett

Notary Public  
for Harrison County Iowa  
My Commission expires July 4<sup>th</sup> 1897

State of Iowa, ::  
::: ss. A F F I D A V I T.  
Monona County, ::

L. M. Morton, William Burton, and Sarah M. Burton  
being first duly sworn do severally depose and say that each  
of them is well and personally acquainted with Mrs. Jane B.  
Calkins, the present wife of James J. Calkins; that they  
were well and personally acquainted with her before her mar-  
riage to said James J. Calkins, and knew her from the time  
she was a small girl of three or four years of age; that  
her maiden name was Jane Beamer; that while a girl, and be-  
fore her marriage to said James J. Calkins she resided for  
many years in the family of Isaac Ashton in Monona County,

Iowa, and during all of said time they saw said Jane Beamer  
frequently and became well acquainted with her; that they  
believe said Jane Beamer, now Jane B. Calkins, has Indian  
blood in her veins; that this affidavit is made from our  
own personal knowledge of the facts stated, and we know the  
same to be true.

L. M. Morton  
William Burton  
Sarah M. Burton

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before by the  
said L. M. Morton, William Burton, and Sarah M. Burton, this  
21st day of August, A. D., 1898.

Abariah Kindall  
Notary Public within and for  
Monona County, Iowa.  
My Commission expires  
July 4th 1897.

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioners, authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN:—

The undersigned, your petitioner, John C. Atkins  
for and on behalf of himself

and heirs, this day make their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of the funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and Petitioner state that they are Cherokee Indian by blood, deriving the same from Beamer, who lived on Etowah River, Cass County, State of Georgia  
and

whose name will be found on the authenticated rolls of the Cherokees by blood, taken in the years 18 35 the same to be submitted to your Honorable Commission for a full and complete investigation, and if found correct as stated, to be granted all the rights, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee citizens, and petitioner herewith files proof in support of said claim, and respectfully awaits the time when application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Atkins

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

Names.	Ages.	Relationship.
<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>
<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>
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<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>
<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand this 31 day of

August 1896

John C. Atkins

Printed by THE INDIAN-ORIENTAL, VIRGINIA, U.S.



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

*John Balkins*

of lawful age being duly sworn states that he knows  
the facts set forth in the above and foregoing application and that the same are true  
as he verily believes.

*John Balkins*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the *31* day of *August* 1896.

*J. B. Bodine*

My commission expires *Oct 27, 1897*

Notary Public.

*I hereby certify that I am  
personally acquainted with applicant  
and believe him to be a creditable  
person*

*J. B. Bodine*

*John Balkins*

The following is a copy of the original application for enrollment of the Creek Indians of the Creek Nation, as provided for by an Act of Congress of June 21, 1896, to pass and determine the claims of the Creek Indians and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioner, to the Honorable Henry L. Dancy, Frank C. Armstrong, Alexander B. Montgomery.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

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To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioners, authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN:—

The undersigned, your petitioner, Clifton B. Colkins  
for and on behalf of himself

and heirs, this day make their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of the funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and Petitioners state that they are Cherokee Indian by blood, deriving the same from Beamer, who lived on  
Etowah River, Cass County, State of  
Georgia, and

whose name will be found on the authenticated rolls of the Cherokees by blood, taken in the years 18 35, the same to be submitted to your Honorable Commission for a full and complete investigation, and if found correct as stated, to be granted all the rights, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee citizens, and petitioner herewith files their proof in support of said claim, and respectfully awaits the time when their application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

x Clifton B. Colkins

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

Names.	Ages.	Relationship.
<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand this 31 day of August 1896.

\* Clifton B. Colkins

Printed by the Indian Commissioner, White, L. F.



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

*Clifton Collins*

of lawful age being duly sworn states that he knows  
the facts set forth in the above and foregoing application and that the same are true  
as he verily believes.

*Clifton Collins*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the *31* day of *August* 1896.

*J. B. Davis*

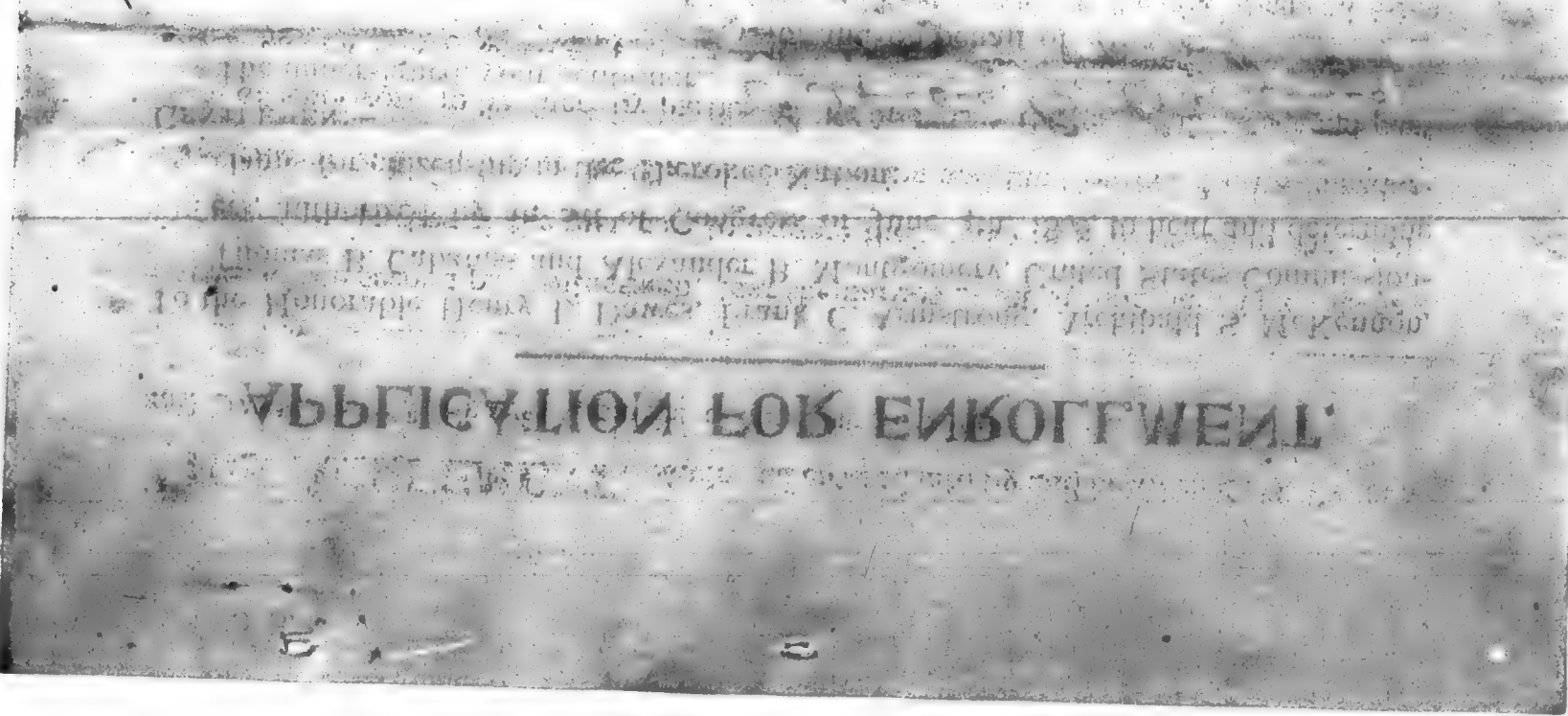
My commission expires *Oct 27, 1897*

Notary Public.

*I hereby certify that said applicant  
is a suitable person to the best  
of my knowledge and belief*

*J. B. Davis*  
*J. B.*

*Clifton Collins*





## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioners, authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN:—

The undersigned, your petitioner, Alva J. Balkins  
for and on behalf of himself

and heirs, this day make their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of the funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and Petitioner state that there are Cherokee Indian by blood, deriving the same from Beamer, who lived on  
Stoner River, Cass County State of  
Georgia and

whose name will be found on the authenticated rolls of the Cherokees by blood, taken in the years 18 35 the same to be submitted to your Honorable Commission for a full and complete investigation, and if found correct as stated, to be granted all the rights, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee citizens, and petitioner herewith files there proof in support of said claim, and respectfully awaits the time when there application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Alva J. Balkins

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

Names.	Ages.	Relationship.
<u>X</u>		

In WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand this 31 day of

August 1896

Alva J. Balkins

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

Alva G. Balkin

of lawful age being duly sworn states that he knows  
the facts set forth in the above and foregoing application and that the same are true  
as he verily believes.

Alva G. Balkin

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 31 day of August 1896.

J. L. Doer

My commission expires Oct 27/97

Notary Public.

*I hereby certify that I am personally  
acquainted with said applicant and  
believe him to be a creditable person*  
J. L. Doer  
J. L.

*Alva G. Balkin*

УВЕРЖЕНИЕ ПОД ЕВАНГЕЛИЕМ

No. 1494

Jane Calkins,  
v.

Cherokee Nation

Filed 7 Sept 1896  
H. M. Jacobway  
Clerk

Refected  
Bryantville  
Mo.  
The Cherokee Nation  
per Elizabeth in  
Jane Calkins  
Clerk of



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

VINITA,

SEP 7 1896

Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

Registered

Letter  
Parcel

No. 403

Rec'd

189

of

Cox Taylor

addressed to

Gen. Mayes  
Tahlequah, Okla.  
Da Taylor L. N.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

VINITA, IND. TER., Sept 7th 1896.

See that you swear to your Petition.

Evidence of service of copies on the Chief or Governor may be secured as follows:  
If convenient get his receipt to file with your papers. If you cannot do this, register to him, and have some disinterested person to make affidavit in form about as follows:

I, J. S. Skaggs, do solemnly swear that on the 7th day of Sept, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, addressed to Mr. Samuel Mayo, Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., that registry receipt, No. 409, received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Jane Balkin and of the affidavits of G. M. Ross & al and \_\_\_\_\_ in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 7 day of Sept, 1896.

My Comm. expires Jan 7, 1897 C. B. Bell Notary Pub  
Attach receipt to this affidavit and send with papers to the Commission at Vinita, Indian Territory. This takes the place of the former instructions, as we understand that packages are not promptly received for by the Chiefs and Governors.

For the Commission.

152-203

Nation's No. 4498

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*James Perkins*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY.  
Sec.



*James Perkins*



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sam Balkins*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *He Ancestor*

through whom the petitioner ~~claims~~ to derive *a* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Blandish* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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# Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, John B. Latham.....do solemnly swear that on the 4.....  
day of September....., 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith.....  
Arkansas.....addressed to Hon. Samuel Mayes.....  
Governor or Chief of the Cherokee.....Nation, Talequah.....Indian Territory,  
that Registry Receipt No. 358.....received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which  
contained true copies of the application of Wash Cole.....and of the  
affidavits of.....and  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 4.....day of September.....1896.  
State of Arkansas  
County of Sebastian

John B. Latham  
Notary Public  
My Com. expires March 14 1900.

No. 7844

IN THE MATTER OF

Wash Cole

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

...FOR...

CITIZENSHIP

In the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Filed Sept 9, 1896  
H. M. Jewman  
Clerk

Reflected

THOS. B. LATHAM,  
LAWYER,  
FORT SMITH, ARK.

Wash Cole:-

Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable Dawes Commission

The undersigned respectfully petition and memorialize your Honorable Body for admission to the rights and privileges of Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, under the treaties and laws of said Nation, and the United States. Your petitioner states that his immediate family consists of the following named persons, for whom he asks the privileges of Citizenship with petitioner, to-wit:

Name of my wife: Winfreda Cole; age: 24

Names of Children.	Ages.	Names of Children.	Ages.
<u>Carlo Cole</u>	<u>14 years old</u>		

As grounds for asking admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I, T., your petitioner, states:

That he is a grandson of one Hawk Bowman, who was a full blooded Cherokee Indian. The said Hawk Bowman lived and died in Harlan County, Kentucky.

(see evidence in John Bowman's case)

Witnesses:  
J. D. Brainerd  
C. E. Hendley

STATE OF Kentucky  
COUNTY OF Harlan

Wash + Cole  
mark

On this 7th day of Aug, 1896, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Wash Cole, who, after being duly sworn by me, says: That the statements set forth in the foregoing petition and memorial for their Citizenship, are true, as he verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and date last above written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires



**End**

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No 2212 305-  
Mrs Cagle et al  
Deponents of Martha Taylor  
vs  
Chas. H. Hutton

Original  
Filed Sept. 8-1896  
A. S. McKinnon  
Clerk

J. W. Harris  
Carterville, Ill.  
Attorney



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

*W. L. Goodwin*

I, ~~Henry Clay Barrett~~ *W. L. Goodwin* of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. 570, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Mrs. Rosa Bagle & others  
under same cover  
and

and of the affidavits of thurs attached

in support of same.

*W. L. Goodwin*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

*J. M. Madison*  
Notary Public

*My Comm. exp. June 3, 1899.*



Post Office at	
Registered Letter	No. <u>570</u> Rec'd
<u>W. L. Goodwin</u>	
Addressed to <u>J. M. Madison</u>	

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Rosa Coyle (who was born Townsend),  
makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Samuel H. Townsend of one  
who is the son of Ezekiel Townsend, deceased and the  
was the son of Edward Townsend and his wife Anna  
who was Anna Taylor the daughter of Reuben Taylor  
who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling me to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Reuben Taylor of Red Clay Co. was  
living at that place in the month of 1835.  
She was a woman of Cherokee blood and had  
six children, one of whom was Anna Taylor  
My ancestor  
Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Geary P. O. Pickens Co.  
and my family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Rosa Coyle</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Wife of head of family</u>
<u>Louis M. Coyle</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Husband - white</u>
<u>Jessie C. Coyle</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

x Rosa Coyle

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Pickens

sworn You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

x Rosa Coyle

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in my petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Harvey Collins  
Notary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ~~ARMSTRONG~~ <sup>MONTGOMERY</sup> United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Martha M. Cagle <sup>who was Rosa Townsend</sup> makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Samuel H. Townsend who is the  
son of Egehiel Townsend, deceased, and he was the son of  
Eduard Townsend and his wife and her was Anna Taylor, the  
daughter of Nuth's Taylor who your petitioner firmly believes was a

half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Ruth Taylor of Red Clay Ga. was living at that place  
in or about the year 1835. She was a descendant of  
Cherokee Indian blood, had a family of which she was  
the head. Her daughter Anna was my ancestor  
and their names are on the rolls of 1835

Your petitioner is 21 years of age, his post office address is Porterdale, Ga.  
and my family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Martha M. Cagle</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Mother and head of family</u>
<u>Martin Cagle</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Father &amp; white</u>
<u>C. Dickford Cagle</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

x Martha M. Cagle

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

x Martha M. Cagle

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in my petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Adrian Collins  
U.S. Commissioner



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Berna C. Eaton makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of H. H. Crow. Who is the son of  
Phaulk Crow, who was the daughter of Anna Taylor  
who was the daughter of Reuben Taylor, and also the wife  
of one Edward Townsend who your petitioner firmly believes was

a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, her post office address is Lynn Ala  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

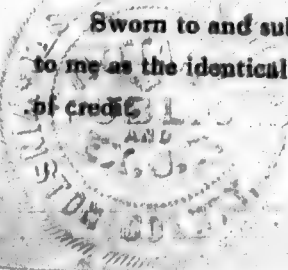
	NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
	<u>Berna C. Eaton</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Head of family</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>Gomer E. Eaton</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>son</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Wesley E. Eaton</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Clarence Eaton</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

STATE OF Ala, COUNTY OF Winston

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy



Berna C. Eaton  
mark  
Jas. T. Townsend U.S. Notary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ~~ARMSTRONG~~ <sup>Montgomery</sup>, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned H. E. Lindsey makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the son of one Mrs. Sirena Crow and the grandson  
of one Phoebe Crow who was the daughter of Betty Taylor of Paddy & Thomas  
Tennant, Anna Tennant who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 37 years of age, his post office address is Seneca, Ia  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

<u>Mary Ann Lindsey</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>Wife</u>
<u>John Henry</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Muscular Sire</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Thomas H.</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Robert</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Bertie May</u>	<u>2 1/2</u>	<u>Daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

H. E. Lindsey

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ia, COUNTY OF Barton

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

A. R. Payne witnesses as a mark H. E. Lindsey  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of Sept, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Asa M. Collins  
Notary Public



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ~~ARMSTRONG~~ <sup>Montgomery</sup>, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Thomas P. Crow makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That He is the The son of H. K. Crow who is  
the son of Phoebe Crow who was the daughter  
of Edward Townsend and his wife Annie  
who was Annie Taylor who was the daughter of Rutha Taylor  
of Red Clay, half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Rutha Taylor name and her family appears  
on the Census Rolls of 1835 Cherokee Tribe east  
of the Mississippi River

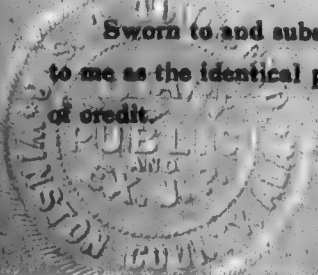
Your petitioner is 21 years of age, his post office address is Lynn Ala  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Thomas P. Crow</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Head of family</u>
<u>Lodueby, Crow</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>wife</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

STATE OF Ala, COUNTY OF Winston  
You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.



Jas I Townsend N.P. Ex. P.



Nation's No.

4788

Commission's No.

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In re Application of

Rosa Taylor

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21.

H. M. JACOWAY.

Commission's No.

Nation's No.

These the undersigned, Clerk of the Court, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as filed in the Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Court at Chicago, Illinois, this 21st day of October, 1906.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Pava Cagle et al*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Admiral* *Admiral* *Admiral* Attorneys.  
Joseph Admir, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct* 1896.

*J. S. S. S.*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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No. 1100

IN THE MATTER OF

Geo. W. [unclear]

Petition and Memorial  
FOR  
CITIZENSHIP

In the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Filed Sept. 7, 1890

Wm. J. [unclear]  
Secretary

[unclear]

J. P. Mullens  
Atty for Petitioner

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at SOUTH McALESTER, I. T.

Registered Letter No. 245 Rec'd. 189

of J. P. Mullins

addressed to Samuel May

Shiloh, Ark. 28

M. A. Potts P. M.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Indian Territory,  
Central District  
William Yates

being duly sworn states that he has this  
day forwarded by registered mail, evidenced by the registry receipt of Mrs Mary Potter

postmaster, at South McAlester Indian Territory to Samuel Mayes

Principal Chief Cherokee Nation,

a true and perfect copy of the applications for admittance and enrollment by the Dawes Commission  
Cherokee Nation of  
Petition of Geo. W.

Clark, and his children William Clark and Victory Evridge nee Clark  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation by blood and affidavits of  
Geo. W. Clark, Geo. W. Vann, John R. Gourd and T. J. Taylor.  
I further state that I have no interest in the prosecution  
of this claim.

and of all the evidence of affidavits, depositions and recorded evidence, and of all papers &c., hereto  
attached, to be used in support of said petitions.

William Yates

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Application For Enrollment

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:  
George W. Clark

VS  
Et Al.,  
PETITIONER,

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT.

Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:—

Your petitioner, George W. Clark, states that William Clark was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the Cherokee Nation and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said William Clark appears, or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1835-1836.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said William Clark to-wit:

Petitioner says That his post office address is Sallisaw, I. T. that he is 51 years of age, that he derives his Cherokee blood from his father the late William Clark who was born in the Old Cherokee Nation, now Tenn. about 1800 ... Affiant has been taught by his father that he the said William Clark immigrated west about 18. .. and settled in Flint Dist. Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, and remained there for a good many years and that he was known as an old Settler that he returned back to Jackson Co unty, Ala. where he died ~~about 1860~~ that affiant ~~immix~~ That his father the said William Clark was a recognized citizen of the Cherokee Nation west and the Old Cherokee Nation east that he was a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Applicant further says that he has been seeking to establish his rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation for the past twenty years and that for the past 8 or 9 years he has been making application to the Council and principle authorities of the Cherokee Nation and that he has been residing in the said Cherokee Nation for the past eight years except at short intervals.

Petitioner further says that he beleives himself to be the only heir at law of the late William Clark, and in support of his claim he herewith submits the affidavit of himself and John Ross, G. W. Vann, Bert Davis and also references made to the Old Settlers rolls and rolls of 1835.

Applicant intermarried with Nancy Christy and by such marriage the children mentioned herein below were born and are now living.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and a member of said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians in the Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner, ~~two~~ persons, as follows, to-wit:

NAMES.	AGES.	RELATIONSHIP.
William Clark	25	
Victoria Bridge nee Clark	19	

Application For Enrollment

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:  
George W. Clark

VS  
Et Al.,  
PETITIONER,

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT.

Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:—

Your petitioner, George W. Clark, states that William Clark was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the Cherokee Nation and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said William Clark appears, or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1835.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said William Clark to-wit:

*Petitioner says* That his post office address is Sallisaw, I. T. that he is 51 years of age, that he derives his Cherokee blood from his father the late William Clark who was born in the Old Cherokee Nation, now Tenn. about 1800 ... Affiant has been taught by his father that he the said William Clark immigrated west about 18. .. and settled in Flint Dist. Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, and remained there for a good many years and that he was known as an old settler that he returned back to Jackson Co unty, Ala. where he died ~~immigrated~~ ~~that affiant~~ ~~immix~~ That his father the said William Clark was a recognized citizen of the Cherokee Nation west and the Old Cherokee Nation east that he was a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Applicant further says that he has been seeking to establish his rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation for the past twenty years and that for the past 8 or 9 years he has been making application to the Council and principal authorities of the Cherokee Nation and that he has been residing in the said Cherokee Nation for the past eight years except at short intervals.

Petitioner further says that he believes himself to be the only heir at law of the late William Clark, and in support of his claim he herewith submits the affidavit of himself and John Ross, G. W. Vann, Bert Davis and also references made to the Old Settlers rolls and rolls of 1835.

Applicant intermarried with Nancy Christy and by such marriage the children mentioned herein below were born and are now living.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and a member of said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians in the Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner, two persons, as follows, to-wit:

NAMES.	AGES.	RELATIONSHIP.
William Clark	25	
Victoria Brridge nee Clark	19	



Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *his* name, with those of *his*...  
sald descendants, to-wit: *William Clark and*  
*Victoria Gaudin ne Clark*  
and... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits, privileges and  
immunities of other *Cherokee* Indians, in and to the *Cherokee* Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys for Petitioners.

The afore named petitioner *Geo. H. Clark* says that the statements  
set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

*Geo. H. Clark*  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *1st* day of *Sept* 1896

*B. B. Mann* Notary Public.

*Commission expires Feb 1899*

No. ....

Application of .

For .

FOR

Enrollment in . Nation.

Filed on the . day of . 189.

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

Balance of year paid.

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

In the matter of petition and memorial of George W. Clark

for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

State of Montan. State of America  
County of Northern District ss

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the Said District County and State aforesaid, personally appeared George W. Clark who, after being by me duly sworn, states:

That he is 51 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County of Seymour District and his post office address is Callisaw, I. T. that he is personally acquainted with Cherokee who is an applicant for

Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That he is an admixture of white and Cherokee blood and is at least 1/4 Cherokee blood that he derives his Cherokee blood from his father the late William Clark who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a recognized citizen of the Old Cherokee Nation and a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and who was born in the Old Cherokee Nation now Tenn. and died in the Old Cherokee Nation now Ala.

Affiant further says that his father the said William Clark immigrated west to the Cherokee Nation in 18... but returned back to the Cherokee Nation east on a business trip and while there he died. That the said William Clark lived in Flint Dist. Cherokee Nation, I.T.

Affiant further says that he has been seeking to establish rights to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation for the past 20 years and that for the past 8 or 9 years he has been making application to the Council and Principle Chief of the Cherokee Nation, west and that affiant has been residing in the Cherokee Nation for the past eight years except at short intervals.

Affiant further says that he believes himself to be the only heir at law of the late William Clark. And in support of his claim he herewith submits the affidavits of John Rosa, and G. W. Vann.

Affiant further says that he intermarried with Nancy Christy and that by such marriage the children mentioned in affiant's application were born and are now living and that the said children are admixtures of white and Cherokee blood.

Affiant further says that his father the late William Clark immigrated to Flint Dist. about 1840 and resided there for a great many years and that he returned back only to be gone temporarily when he died about 1870 in Jackson Co. Ala.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said George W. Clark for the past 20 years, and knows that George W. Clark has been and is recognized by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said George W. Clark indicate that he is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said William Clark he believes the said George W. Clark to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and a lineal descendant of the said William Clark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Sept 1896

My Commission expires Feb 1899

G. W. Vann  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Northern District, Indian Territory.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned Notary Public in and for the above District, Geo. W. Vann, who after I sworn says that I am 81 years of age was born in Hamilton County, Tenn., in 1815 or 1816, I lived in East Tenn. and in the old Cherokee Nation until 1838 and I was brought here by the Cherokee Immigrants while residing in East Tenn.. I became acquainted with William Clark who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and that he came west and settled in Flint Dist. he was known as an Old Settler. I know George W. Clark who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation and have known him for a great many years from his physical appearance and complexion is that he is at least 1/4 Cherokee Indian blood. I am also acquainted with his children, Victoria Bridge and Will Clark, and they are admixtures of white and Cherokee and are at least 1/8 Cherokee blood. I know from my own personal knowledge that the said George Clark has been making application for citizenship for the past eight years. Affiant further says that the said George W. Clark has been residing in the Cherokee Nation continuously, for the past eight years and that he has been recognized among his neighbors and the public generally as a Cherokee Indian by blood and at least 1/4 Cherokee Indian by blood, and I believe him to be the only child and heir at law of the said William Clark who formerly lived in Flint Dist. Cherokee Nation.

Geo. W. Vann  
Notary Public

subscribed and sworn to before me this the

day of Sept. 1898.

Notary Public,

My Commission expires

Feb 1899

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AFFIDAVIT FOR CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP.

CHEROKEE NATION,  
Tahlequah District.

Personally appeared before me

a Clerk in and for said

County of

Thomas J. Taylor

who after being duly sworn according to law, depose and

said:

I am 75

years of age, a Cherokee by blood and a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation. My Post Office is

Tahlequah St.

I was personally acquainted with William Clark,

of East Tennessee

who was a Cherokee by blood in the old Cherokee Nation, now

and who was accepted as one

of the Indian tribe

and whose descendants are entitled to all the rights and privileges of other Cherokees, under article first of the treaty of 1846;

and under the treaty of 1866, between the Cherokees and the United States Giving all that can prove Cherokee blood, by prima

facie evidence and according to the requirements of the Cherokee laws, and under the constitution of 1866, approved December 8th,

by the National Council of the Cherokee Nation, an act providing for the appointment of a commission to try and determine appli-

cations for Cherokee Citizenship, and all such proof which is made to the fulfillment of the Cherokee laws shall be accepted and

recognized as good proof.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me, on this the

12th

day of

Nov.

1893

T. J. Taylor

W. W. Taylor

Clerk Tahlequah Co.

General affidavit  
of J. J. Taylor

AFFIDAVIT FOR CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP.

CHEROKEE NATION,  
Tahlequah District.

Personally appeared before me *R. M. Danner* *Sept 28 1864*

*John R. Goud* who after being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says

I am *75* years of age, a Cherokee by blood and a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation. My Post Office is

*Tahlequah, I.T.* I was personally acquainted with *William Clark*

who was a Cherokee by blood in the old Cherokee Nation, now *Barren*

*as East Tennessee* and who was accepted as one of *Cherokee Indian tribe*

and whose descendants are entitled to all the rights and privileges of other Cherokees, under article first of the treaty of 1846;

and under the treaty of 1866, between the Cherokees and the United States Giving all that can prove Cherokee blood, by prima

facie evidence and according to the requirements of the Cherokee laws, and under the constitution of 1866, approved December 8th,

by the National Council of the Cherokee Nation, an act providing for the appointment of a commission to try and determine appli-

cations for Cherokee Citizenship, and all such proof which is made to the fulfillment of the Cherokee laws shall be accepted and

recognized as good proof.

*John R. Goud*  
*Witness*

Sworn to and subscribed to before me, on this the *10th* day of *November* 186*4*

*R. M. Danner*  
*Notary Public*  
*Sept 28 1864*



Affidavit of  
John R. Gaud

**End**

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## AFFIDAVIT.

STATE OF ARKANSAS,  
COUNTY OF Madison } SS

In the case of Fallie Davis (McRicker), claimant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable Dawes Commission, authorized under an act of Congress of the United States of America, personally appeared this day before me

G. B. Cummings, Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_, within and for the County of Madison, State of Arkansas, aforesaid, duly authorized to administer oaths Luson Gawners to me personally well-known to be a reputable citizen and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn according to the law, deposes and says: \_\_\_\_\_; my name is Luson Gawners

my age is 64 years, my Post Office address is Whitener Madison Co Arkansas  
I am a \_\_\_\_\_ by occupation; I am a citizen of Whitener Madison Co Ark

and the affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit: I am personally and well acquainted with Fallie Davis (McRicker)

who is a daughter of D J Ricker

who is a son of Barby Ricker

who was a daughter of Betia Collier

who was a daughter of Barby Vagden (McRicker)

Why was a Cherokee Indian by blood she was a friend of the family Why was a Cherokee Indian by blood

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Sept, 1898.

G. B. Cummings

Notary Public.

My commission expires 1 day of June, A. D., 1898

Original

## AFFIDAVIT.

STATE OF ARKANSAS,  
COUNTY OF Madison } SS

In the case of Pallie Davis (nee Tucker), claimant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable Dawes Commission, authorized under an act of Congress of the United States of America, personally appeared this day before me

G. B. Cummings Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_, within and for the County of Madison, State of Arkansas, aforementioned, duly authorized to administer oaths Isaac Vaughan to me personally well-known to be a reputable citizen and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn according to the law, deposes and says: \_\_\_\_\_; my name is Isaac Vaughan my age is 77 years, my Post Office address is Whitener Madison Co Arkansas I am a Farmer by occupation; I am a citizen of Whitener Madison Co Ark

and the affiant declares in relation to the above-named case as follows, to-wit: I am personally and well acquainted with Pallie Davis (nee Tucker)

who is a daughter of A. J. Tucker

who is a son of Faraby Tucker

who was a daughter of Peter's Calles

who was a daughter of Faraby Vaughan (ne Benton)

who was a Cherokee Indian by blood Isaac Vaughan who was a grand daughter of John Conner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Sept 1898  
G. B. Cummings

Notary Public.

My commission expires 1 day of June, A. D., 1898

Original

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable Dawes Commission, Vanila I. T.

The undersigned, Pallie Davis, your petitioner, makes this, <sup>her</sup> application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and Laws of said Cherokee Nation and respectfully submits the following statements of facts for the grounds of her claim that she is the daughter of T. J. Tucker & the Grand daughter of Farley Tucker & the Great Grand daughter of Betty Calico & the Great Great Grand daughter of Farley Thompson nee Burton who was a

great daughter of John Perry who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and that the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls taken and made of Cherokees East of the Mississippi River in the years 1835-1848-1851 or 1852, and your petitioner respectfully awaits the time when <sup>her</sup> application shall be truly heard and passed upon; that the age of your petitioner is 25 years, that <sup>her</sup> Post Office address is Wagon Creek

Tenn; that <sup>her</sup> family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood consists of the following names to-wit:

NO.	NAME	SEX	AGE	RELATIONSHIP	REMARKS
1	<u>Pallie Davis</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	
1	<u>Collier Davis</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Son</u>	

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my this the 4 day of Sept 1896.

Pallie Davis

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 7 day of Sept 1896.

G. B. Conning

My commission expires the 1 day of June 1898

Notary Public





**End**

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South Mailester, I. T. Sept. 5th 1890.  
Received of J. P. Mullen papers purporting to be copies of  
petition of Addie A. Crow Et Al for citizenship in the Choctaw Nation  
and affidavits of Addie A. Crow and W. P. Thomas to support said claim  
*Stuart Gordon & Bailey*  
Atty for Choctaw Nation.

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever pray, etc.

Attorney for petitioner.

The aforementioned petitioner,

*Addie A. Crow*

says that the statements

set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Petitioner.

*Addie A. Crow*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this

*28*

day of

*Aug*

1896.

*W. H. H. Smith*

County Clerk.

No.

APPLICATION OF

*Addie A. Crow* Et. Al.,

FOR

Enrollment in *Cherokee* Nation

Filed on the..... day of..... 189.....

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes

Attorney for Petitioner.

CAPITAL PRINT, South McAlester.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

ADDIE A. CROW

Et. Al.

PETITIONER,

VS.

CHEROKEE

Nation, Indian Territory,

RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Addie A. Crow, states that William Johnston

was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in The Old Cherokee Nation now Miss. and Ga. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said William Johnston Cherokee appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Indians for the year William Johnston

That the petition is a lineal descendant of the said to-wit  
34 That her post office address is Healdton, I. T. that she is years of age that she is an admixture of white and Cherokee blood and is at least 1/4th Cherokee Indian blood.

Applicant further says that she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother the late Martha Thomas, whose maiden name was Johnston and was the daughter of the late William Johnston, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who was a citizen of the Old Cherokee Nation and a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe and who was born in Ga. in 1818, and died in the state of Ga. in the year of 1880. Applicant further says that she moved to the Indian Territory in 1890 and has lived in said Territory continuously ever since and that she has been seeking to establish her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Applicant further says that she intermarried with J. R. Crow and that by such marriage the following children mentioned herein below were born and now living. That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner six persons, as follows, to-wit:

Mattie E. Crow	female	and	13	years of age
Willie E. "	male	and	10	years of age
Giselle C. "	female	and	8	years of age
Rosecoe L. "	male	and	6	years of age
Lena G. "	female	and	4	years of age
Ada M. "	female	and	1	years of age
	a	and		years of age
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	a	and		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that her name, with those of



her said descendants to-wit: *Mattie E. Willie E. Givelle C.*  
*Rosecoe S. Lena G. and Ada M. Crow*

and *Addie A. Crow* be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and  
immunities of other *Cherokee* Indians, in and to the *Cherokee* Nation or  
Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner  
will ever pray, etc.

Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, *Addie A. Crow* says that the statements  
set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *28* day of *Aug*, 1896.  
*Addie A. Crow* Petitioner.  
*W. H. M. Knight* Notary Public.

No. *216*

APPLICATION OF  
*Addie A. Crow* Et. Al.,

Enrollment in *Cherokee* Nation

Filed on the *28* day of *Aug*, 1896.

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribe s.

Attorney for Petitioner.  
*CAPITAL PRINTER, South McAlester.*

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

In the matter of petition and memorial of Addie A. Brown  
for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
State of Indian Territory  
County of Chickasaw Nation } SS

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared E. B. Browning who, after being by me duly sworn, states:  
That he is 47 years of age, and a resident of the State of Ind. Ter. and County  
of Chickasaw Nation and his post office address is Heraldton, I. T.  
that he is personally acquainted with Addie A. Brown who is an applicant for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Addie A. Brown for the  
past 6 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Addie A. Brown indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Addie A. Brown he believes the said Addie A. Brown to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and a lineal descendant of the said William Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of Sept., 1896.  
E. B. Browning  
W. F. McSpiggle  
My Commission expires March 13, 1899 NOTARY PUBLIC.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

In the matter of petition and memorial of...ADDIE A. CROW.....

for admission to citizenship in the.....CHEROKEE.....Nation.

State of...Indian Territory.....} SS  
County of...Chickasaw Nation.....}

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared.....Addie A. CROW.....

who, after being by me duly sworn, states:

That ~~she~~ is 34 years of age, and a resident of the State of ~~Chickasaw Nation~~ and County of ~~Pickens~~ and her post office address is ~~Wardston, D.T.~~

that ~~she~~ is personally acquainted with ~~Addie A. Crow~~ who is an applicant for Citizenship in the.....Cherokee.....Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

.....That she was born in the state of Ga. in the year 1862..... and that she is an admixture of white and Cherokee blood and is at least 1/8 Cherokee blood that she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother the late ~~Martha Ann~~ Thomas, who was born in the state of ~~Ga~~ in 1836, and died in the state of ~~Ga~~ in 1880, and that the said ~~Martha Ann~~ Thomas was an admixture of white and Cherokee blood and at least 1/4 Cherokee Indian blood, that her maiden name was Johnston, and she was the daughter of the late William Johnston, who was born in Ga. in 1818 and died in the state of ~~Ga~~ in 1880, that said William Johnston was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a citizen of the Old Cherokee Nation and a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Affiant further says that she moved from the state of Ga. to the Indian Territory in 1880 and that she has been living in the Territory continuously ever since, and that affiant has been seeking to establish her rights to citizenship for the past several years, but has been denied them.

Affiant further says that she intermarried with J. R. Crow, in the state of Ga. in 1882, and that by such marriage the following children were born and are now living, Mattie, E. Willie E., Giselle C. Roscoe L. Lena G. and Ada M. Crow, and that the said children are admixtures of white and Cherokee blood and are at least 1/16 Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That ~~she~~ has known the said..... for the past..... years, and knows that..... has been and is recognized by ~~her~~ neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having ~~Cherokee~~ Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said ~~Affiant~~ indicate that ~~she~~ is of ~~Cherokee~~ Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said ~~William Johnston~~ she believes the said ~~herself~~ to be a descendant by blood of the ~~Cherokee~~ Indian tribe, and a lineal descendant of the said ~~William Johnston~~.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of Aug 1894

My Commission expires Mar 13, 1898 Notary Public



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

In the matter of petition and memorial of Addie A. Brown  
for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
State of Ind. Ter.  
County of Chickasaw } SS

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared L. P. Thomas who, after being by me duly sworn, states:  
That he is 28 years of age, and a resident of the State of Ind. Ter. and County of Chickasaw and his post office address is Healdton, I.T.; that he is personally acquainted with Addie A. Brown who is an applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That he has personally acquainted with  
Wm. Johnston in the state of Georgia and  
who was born in said state in the year  
1818 and died in same state in 1880, that said  
Wm. Johnston was recognized as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood and was considered  
a member of the Cherokee tribe. Affiant  
further states that he knows the said  
Addie A. Brown to be a grand daughter  
of the said Wm. Johnston

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Addie A. Brown for the past 20 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Addie A. Brown indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Addie A. Brown he believes the said Addie A. Brown to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and a lineal descendant of the said William Johnston

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of Aug, 1896  
L. P. Thomas  
W. F. McElroy  
My Commission expires Mar 13, 1897 Notary Public.

IN THE MATTER OF

## Petition and Memorial

**FOR**

# CITIZENSHIP

In the

**Nation, I. T.**

Filed 7 Sept. 1896.

HM Jacoway  
Clerk

Reflection

P. H. Sellers  
Public Relations

Dr. M. Allison  
Jr.

**End**



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Nation's No. 4899

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Mc Anderson*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT

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SEC

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*M. A. Anderson*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his *fore*said demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

*Mary Ann Dagan*

through whom the petitioner *claim*s to derive *her* right

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *is* not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By

*W. L. Smith*

Attorneys.

*W. L. Smith*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*William M. Sweeney*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



No. 2930309

Court.

Term, 189

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—vs.—

The Cherokee Nation

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Deputy

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Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-

true copies of the application of *M. A. Anderson, Mary Ann Soygar,  
J. M. Soygar, Liddell L. Holder, Amanda J. Anderson Harrison  
and Marion Mearland. Thos. M. Knight, Cordelia Knight, E. C. Ferry*

and of the affidavits of Daniel Leonard & G. H. Smason, J. H. Adams,  
J. B. Bates, Balus Edwards, G. H. Smason, J. E. Dudley, J. H. Bowers, C. F. Edwards  
J. E. Dudley, C. M. Ingers, C. N. W. Bright

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896

my comm. Expires  
March - 6-1899.

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## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mr M A Anderson makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the daughter of Mary Ann Logan of one  
W. H. daughter of J. W. McLean and the brother son of J. W.  
McLean and the  
of one A. J. McLean who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 34 years of age, his post office address is St. Monrovia,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Peter son  
age 17 Columbus son age 16 yrs Sterling  
son age 13 yrs Lela daughter age 11 yrs  
Emory son age 9 yrs Maggie daughter  
age 8 yrs Jinnie daughter age 4 yrs

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

M. A. Anderson

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF La, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

M. A. Anderson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. O'Byrne, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned: Mary Ann Logan makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Joz. Kinsel and of one  
who the son of John Kinsel and the son of old Mungla Kinsel  
of one who was a half breed, and the Cherokee Indian  
of one a half breed who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 72 years of age, his post office address is St. Mountain,  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mary Ann Logan  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 21, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Aubrey, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Joel N. Logan makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That He is the Son of one Pellie Ann Logan and the Grand Son of one Joseph Mauleland and the Great Grand Son of one John Mauleland who your petitioner firmly believes was Half Blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived This Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is: Hawest Mountain Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Walter A. Logan</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>One sixteenth</u>
<u>Ada E. Logan</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>John J. Logan</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>" " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. N. Logan  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27th, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. N. Logan  
L. J. Orby, Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Arndel L. Koolah makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit: /

That she is the Daughter of one Joseph Harlan and the Grand Daughter of one John Harlan and the Blood of one Cherokee Indian who your petitioner firmly believes was Half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

I have one Brother in the Territory I don't  
know his post office his name is John  
Howland

Your petitioner is 68 years of age, his postoffice address is Sennis, Georgia  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1886, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

L. J. Robey, Preliminary

of credit.

to use as the highest reason recommended in

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of 1888 and I hereby certify that petitioner is known

knowledge and subject so help you God.

I am so sworn that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of my

STATE OF *Wisconsin*

COUNTY OF *Winnebago*

*J. J. Cook, Clerk*

*My Comm. expires 1st Dec 1890*

*W. H. Evans, Jr., Attorney*

I am petitioner herewith submit the facts of this application and respectfully submit its consideration.

*Leland H. Holden  
Jas. N. Logan  
M. A. Anderson  
Mary Ann Logan*

AGE

RELATIONSHIP

and I am a family of name of Greenock and in place is as follows:

I am petitioner is

*James N. Holden*

*James N. Holden  
Jas. N. Logan  
M. A. Anderson  
Mary Ann Logan*

I am a family of name of Greenock and in place is as follows:

Character and of surname and from whom petitioner is derived

In Mary Cairns

Respectfully Apprehensive  
in David Leeson, who an  
Oath says that he is personally  
acquainted with Mary Ann  
Lagan who is a daughter of  
John Mallard, the he 6 years  
old. & that he knows that her  
brother was a son of  
John Mallard and that  
John Mallard was from  
and was known as a half  
bred Cherokee Indian.

Applicant has now, Applicant  
Eighty years & that, then, have been  
recognized, & is now as Cherokee  
Indian. Applicant has no, in  
in the claims of Applicant &  
believes. From the Applicant  
that they are of genuine Indian  
blood & from their appearance  
& physical appearance -

Am on & I submitted  
before on the August 22/87

J. W. Kirby { Daniel C. Johnson  
Ordinary { C. W. Swanson



Application for citizenship

To the US Census to try  
again for Ostrya in the  
Chesapeake region.

The undersigned, Mimi L Brown  
makes this Application for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Indian  
Nation <sup>by blood</sup> in accordance to the act  
of Congress - passed the 4<sup>th</sup> of June  
1896 and ~~that~~ laws of the  
Cherokee nation and submit the  
following facts - That she is  
the daughter of one J. K. Logan, and  
the grand daughter of Robert Logan,  
and the great grand daughter  
of one Joe Greenland who her  
petitioner firmly believe was  
one right Cherokee Indian  
That the name of said ancestor  
should be found upon the census  
rolls of the Cherokee tribe 200 of  
the Mississippi River from  
Galena age 16 years old. and  
herewith submits the proof  
and awaits your action

Miss L. Brown

by J. W. Horns Jr.  
att

Dr. Mary Cunningham

Grande Suanthor the father

all forth in the foregoing  
petition are true to the best  
of your knowledge as help  
You gods - Minus Brown

Doose was subscribed  
before me this 29th Oct/84  
and I certify that the applicant is  
the individual person she represents  
in her petition, and that she  
is a person of good character  
and worth of belief  
D. J. Robey, Ordinary

State of Okla, County of Winn

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Wright, W. M. Wrenland who after being duly sworn by me, states that she <sup>3574</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>44</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>years old</sup> and is a citizen of Winn Okla and that they <sup>as</sup> personally acquainted with Minnie L Brown who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Minnie L Brown is the identical person she represents he self to be in the application for such citizenship.

Affiant know that she is the daughter of Polly A. Logan & J. K. Logan and the grand daughter of Wiley A. Logan & the great grand daughter of Joe Wrenland & the great great grand daughter of John Wrenland

Affiant further states that they <sup>have</sup> known the said applicant for the past 14 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Wright  
W. M. Wrenland  
(mark)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Z. J. Robey, Ordinary



John Henry L. Davis, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald McQueen,  
Messrs. B. Collins, Alexander B. Armstrong, Wm. C. Cowles

**Nation, Ind. Ter.**

this *her* Application, to-wit:

The undersigned hereby presents the above facts as the lawful grounds for this \_\_\_\_\_

..... Application shall be truly heard and tried. Respectfully submitted.

*Family, with their relationship attached, is as follows:*

NO.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
	Emma Horan	Wife	20	Daughter
	William	Son	19	Son
	Anna	Daughter	17	Daughter
	George	Son	15	Son
	Bennie	Daughter	13	Daughter
	Lee	Son	11	Son
	David	Son	9	Daughter
	John	Son	6	Son
	James	Son	4	Daughter

In witness of which application I hereunto set my hand this 29 day of August 1892

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 day of August 1896

Amanda J. Garrison  
Amherst, Mass.

ABOVE PRINT, Van Buren, Ark

Z. J. Coby. Ordinary

State of Ida, County of Minu

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. B. Bain & James H. Anderson who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 38 & 39 years old, and is a citizen of Minnesota

County, Ia. and that they is personally acquainted with Jane Hornum who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Jane Hornum is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant knows that Applicant is the daughter of Robert & Pelly Ann Logan who was the daughter of Joe McDaniel who was a son of John McDaniel

Affiant further states that she has known the said Jane Hornum for the past 35 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Jane Hornum indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Jane Hornum is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said she to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. H. Anderson  
J. B. Bain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Roby, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Marian Mcleland makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Joe Mcleland, and the of one  
Joe Mcleland, who and the son of John Mcleland  
of one who was a quadroon Cherokee Indian and the  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
quadroon Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 44 years of age, his post office address is Spring Place Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Julie Mcleland  
18 yrs old, Willie Mcleland 17 years old  
Eddy, 12 years old, Corbin, 2 years,  
and

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Marian Mcleland  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Robey, Ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Way County

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Balas Edwards who after being duly sworn by me, states that He is 94 years old, and is a citizen of Murray County Georgia and that He is personally acquainted with Marian Moreland who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Marian Moreland is the identical person He represents Him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant further states that he was well acquainted with Josephus Moreland and known that the said Joseph Moreland was an eighth Indian blood of the Cherokee tribe known the said Joseph Moreland for over 44 years and he was all ways recognized by his neighbors and all who knew him as having Indian blood to the full extent of one eighth of the Cherokee tribe

Affiant further states that He has known the said Marian Moreland for the past 13.9 years and knows that He has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Marian Moreland indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Marian Moreland is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that He has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Marian Moreland to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Balas Edwards  
J. Edgar

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 19 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know Him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Robey, Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared George W. Swanson who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 47 years old, and is a citizen of Said County and State and that he is personally acquainted with Marion Moreland who is an applicant for citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T., and that the said Marion Moreland is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

I have known the said Marion Moreland for the last thirty five years and it was generally understood by all who known him that he was part Indian blood and the same was talked by the citizens at any and all times of the Cherokee Blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said Marion Moreland for the past 35 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Moreland indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Moreland is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Moreland to citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T.

G. W. Swanson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Avery, Ordinary

State of Mo, County of Monroe.

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John L. Dudley, who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 64 years old, and is a citizen of Whitefield, Ariz., and that he is personally acquainted with Monon Moreland, who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Monon Moreland is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant - I know the father of Monon Moreland and the father of John Moreland was red man Johnnie Moreland, who was, a genuine Cherokee Indian; Affiant - knows the said Johnnie Moreland well & was with him consistently before the war - & knows that he was a mixed blood, Cherokee Indian.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Monon Moreland for the past 36 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Monon Moreland indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Monon Moreland is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Monon Moreland to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. J. L. Dudley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of August, 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Coby, Ordinary



Georgia Murray County

Personally appeared before me J. J. Cobey  
Ordinary of said County Daniel L. Leonard  
who on oath say that he was personally  
acquainted with Joseph Moreland ever  
since some time in the fifties and  
known him until his death  
and know that he was one  
Eighth Indian blood of the  
Cherokee tribe and further  
state that Mary Ann Logan  
and Marian W. Moreland Charlotte  
Wright Eliza C. Terry is the children  
of Joseph Moreland and further  
state that the above named parties  
is of the Indian type and that  
they have always been understood  
by all the neighbors and acquaintances  
that they have Indian blood in  
them of the Cherokee tribe  
witness my hand and seal  
I warrant and subscribed  
before me this the 23 day of  
August 1894 Daniel L. Leonard  
J. J. Cobey Ordinary

This is to certify that Daniel L.  
Leonard is a good citizen and is  
worthy of belief in every respect  
witness my hand and seal of office  
this the 23 day of August 1894

J. J. Cobey, Ordinary

Daniel L. Leonard Post Office is Spring Place Ga.

Marian Moulton  
Papers -

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned *J. A. Singer* make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That *he* is the *Husband of Laura Singer* of one *Mrs. Mrs. Daughter of Anna Mowland in Grand* and the *one daughter of Polly Mowland* who your petitioner firmly believes was *a*

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived *her* Indian blood entitling *her* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. *and her children*

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is *31* years of age, his postoffice address is *Commerce, Ala.* and *his* family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: *Poly Laura Singer* *born May 1868* *8 years* *born 1868* *10 years* *the wife of Applicant this is daughter* *Anna Mowland Mrs. Mrs. Daughter of* *Polly Mowland alias Polly Singer* *that the blood originated*

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

*J. A. Singer*  
BY J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *Sept 1* 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in *this* petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

*Wm. Johnson or Dallas*



State of Georgia, County of Gwin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *J. A. Dancy & H. Gieser* who after being duly sworn by me,

states that *they* are *39* years old, and is a citizen of *Georgia* and that *they* is personally acquainted with *Lumma George*

*George* who is an applicant for citizenship in the *Cherokee*

Nation, I. T., and that the said *Lumma George* is the identical person *she is* represents all *to be in the* application for such citizenship.

*That she is the daughter of Annie Moorhead*  
*or granddaughter of Polly Gieser or sometimes*  
*called Polly Moorhead, that the children of*  
*Lumma George are Betty and Bob*

*That Polly Moorhead the grandmother*  
*of Lumma George was recognized in*  
*the community where she lived as*  
*being a Cherokee Indian or of the Cherokee*  
*Indian tribe also the family has been*  
*traced as belonging to the Cherokee tribe*  
*of Indians*

Affiant further states that *they* has known the said *Lumma George* for the past *20 or 25* years and knows that *she* has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said *Lumma George* indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said *Lumma George* is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that *they* has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *Lumma George* to citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*J. A. Dancy*  
*H. Gieser*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *1st* day of *September* 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *them* to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

*Alfred Johnson, Clerk*

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1806, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Thomas M. Wright makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That He is the Grand Son of one Joseph Maryland and the Grand Son  
of one Cynthia Rogers and the Son of James Wright  
and the Son of Sarah Wright who your petitioner firmly believes was one fourth  
and one eighth Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived this Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Spring Place, Ga.  
and this family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: James M. Wright  
9 years of age Levie E. Wright 4 years of age  
Edw. M. Wright 2 years of age

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Thos M Wright  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 19, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Arby, Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James W. Bowers who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 56 years old, and is a citizen of Murray County Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Thomas M. Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Thomas M. Wright is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

on the Seperoku Station  
Affiant further states that he was personally and well acquainted with James Wright and know that he was always recognized as being one eighth indian blood and affiant further states that he was personally and well acquainted with J. M. Wrights Grand Mother Sallie Wright who was Sallie Felt before she married Oley Wright and know that she was one eighth Indian Blood of the Cherokee tribe and was always recognized as such by all her neighbors and acquaintances

Affiant further states that he has known the said Thomas M. Wright for the past 35 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. M. Wright indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. M. Wright is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. M. Wright to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James W. Bowers  
Witness

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Osbey, Ordinary



Mr. Wright

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La Viny County

Before me a Justice of the Peace in  
said County & State. Personally  
appeared B. J. Edwards who he  
said age 37 years old  
& a citizen of said County and  
he is personally acquainted with  
I. M. Wright. Affli cont. for citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Indian nation  
and that I. M. Wright is the  
identical person he represents  
himself in his Application for  
citizenship. Affiant now

David L. Morland <sup>one fourth Cherokee blood of the</sup> who was the  
father of Cynthia Morland and  
the said Cynthia Morland is the  
mother of Mrs. Julia Wright who  
is the mother of the Applicant  
for Morland who is the grand  
father of Applicant. and who  
was a Cherokee Indian father.  
Affiant now that Applicant  
inherits Cherokee Indian blood  
from both of parents.

Affiant further states that he has  
known for the last 35 years and  
now that he has been recognized  
and treated by his neighbors and  
acquainted and the public

generally as a person of Indian  
blood. has the complexion and  
physical appearance of the said I m  
Wright indicate the Indian type  
That from the above fact and  
circumstances and from the statements  
made to me by Apple cases and those  
wh show him longest. Affair.  
has every reason to believe and  
also believe that said I m Wright  
is of genuine Indian blood.  
affidavit also sworn. That he  
has no interest in the possession  
of the claim of said I m Wright  
to citizenship in the Cherokee nation  
I. Y.

Done & subscribed at <sup>the</sup> J. J. Edwards  
before me this 28th day of August 1896  
J. W. Tucker C. J. P.

This is to certify that J. W.  
Tucker is a duly commissioned  
and appointed N. P. J. P. for the  
County of Murray and all his acts  
and things is legal in every  
respect

Given under my hand and seal  
of office this the 31 day of August 1896  
J. J. Coby, Ordinary



State of Ark, County of Cass

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John Dendley who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 66 years old, and is a citizen of Whisper Creek Engine and that he is personally acquainted with J. M. Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said J. M. Wright is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship. Affiant, Amos Daniel S. Morney, was the father of Cynthia Moreland and the mother of the applicant J. M. Wright. Affiant knows of the father Amos Daniel S. Morney had Cherokee Indian blood in him Affiant does not know whether or not he was a half breed or a Quaker. Affiant knows Amos Moreland the grand father of applicant & also John Moreland the father of Amos Moreland. Affiant knows that John Moreland the great grand father of applicant was a half breed Cherokee Indian. Affiant further states that he has known the said J. M. Wright for the past 34 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. M. Wright indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. M. Wright is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. M. Wright to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. .

J. S. Dudley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James Campbell  
This is to certify that James Campbell is a duly commissioned justice of the peace for the

County of Murray and State of Georgia and  
his acts and things at which is legal in  
every respect Given under my hand and  
seal of office this the 31 day of August 1894  
J. J. Coby, Ordinary

To the Honorable National Council, of the Nation, Ind. Ter.

That she is the daughter of one Joe Muncie grand daughter of John Muncie who the undersigned fully believes was an Indian belonging to said tribe.

Age 67 years; Postoffice Spring Plow Co

*Family, with their relationship attached, is as follows:*

NO.	NAMES.	SEX. AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.

In witness of which application I hereunto set my hand this 21 day of August 1896.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5/ day of August 1895

*J. W. Morris Jr.*  
**CHAS. B. FONTAINE, Attorney.**

ARGUS PRINT, Van Buren, Ark.

L. J. Coby, Ordinary



APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable National Council, of

**Nation, Ind. Ter.**

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, your petitioner, this day makes this.....his

Application for Citizenship in the Republic of the United States Nation in the Ind. Ter., in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of said Nation, and respectfully makes the following statement of the grounds of this Application Application, to-wit:

That she  
of Maryland & the ground does her of John Mendenhall of one  
who the undersigned fully believes was an Indian belonging to said tribe.  
above the Centur Morning. & the ground does her of James S. Morrow  
The undersigned hereby presents the above facts as the lawful grounds for this

Application for membership Citizenship by blood, and respectfully awaits the time when  
her Application shall be truly heard and tried. Respectfully submitted.

Age 6-6 years; Postoffice Shrew Place

Family, with their relationship attached, is as follows:

NO.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.

In witness of which application I hereunto set my hand this 30 day of Auger 1896

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of August, 1896

*Chas. B. Fontaine*  
**CHAS. B. FONTAINE, Attorney.**

ANGUS PAINT, Van Buren, Ark.

7. J. Coby, Ordinary

State of Virginia, County of Manassas

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared C. S. Morrey who after being duly sworn by me,

states that he is 68 years old, and is a citizen of Kendall

County and that he is personally acquainted with L. C. Terry

who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said L. C. Terry is the identical person she represents he self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant sworn that John McDaniel was the grandfather of Applicant & that he was of Indian descent. Applicant is also a great grand daughter of Old man Saunce who was general regarded as a half-Cherokee Indian & I know of my own knowledge that the Applicant is of Cherokee blood, and both sides of her parents.

Affiant further states that he has known the said L. C. Terry for the past 48 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said L. C. Terry indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said L. C. Terry is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said L. C. Terry to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

C. S. Morrey

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Roby Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared M. B. Wright who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 48 years old, and is a citizen of Gordon County and that he is personally acquainted with M. B. Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said M. B. Wright is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant know him & great grand  
father old man Saunes (or Swanes)  
of one side of her parent side  
& a grand daughter of John McDaniel  
old Swanes) lived in M. B. her  
house but moved to Ga. and died  
I know they bore Ancest  
ry of Cherokee Indian blood  
Saunes (or Swanes) was a half-breed  
& McDaniel a quarter-breed

Affiant further states that he has known the said M. B. Wright for the past 48 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said M. B. McDaniel indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said M. B. Wright is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said he to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

L. S. Murray

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4 day of May 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Robey, Ordinary



State of Georgia County of Murray.  
Before me the undersigned judicial  
officer in and for the County of  
said personally appeared B. J.  
Edwards who after being duly  
sworn by me states that he  
is 99 years old, and is a citizen  
of Murray County, State of Georgia,  
and that he is personally acquainted  
with Mary Ann <sup>Mrs. Cordelia M. Wright</sup> Logan who is  
an applicant for citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation, I. J. and  
that said Mary Ann Logan, Mrs.  
Cordelia M. Wright and Mrs. L. C.  
Terry are the identical persons  
they represent themselves to be in  
their application for such citizen-  
ship. Adolphus Knepp, Deputy  
F. Mooney who was the father  
of Cordelia M. Wright, Mary Ann  
Logan and L. C. Terry, <sup>was</sup>  
J. J. Morland who is the father  
of said applicants, who was  
one eighth Indian blood. Affiant  
further states that he has  
known J. J. Morland for 40 years  
and that that applicant are  
recognized and treated as  
people who have Indian

blood, that the complexion  
and physical appearance of the  
said applicants indicate the  
Indian Type That from the  
above fact and circumstances  
and from the statements made  
to me by applicant and those  
who knew them longest of fact  
has every reason to believe and  
does believe that said applicants  
are of genuine Indian blood.  
Applicant also shows that he  
has no interest in the prosecution  
of the claims of said applicants  
to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. P.

Sworn to and subscribed <sup>for</sup> J. Edwards  
before me Aug-23/96

Also, Applicant known ~~to~~ J. J. J.

J. J. Tucker Notary

This is to certify that John W  
Tucker is duly commissioned  
Notary Public for the County of  
Murray and State of Georgia and  
his acts and doings as such is  
legal in every respect given under  
my hand and seal of office this  
the 31 day of August 1896

J. J. Avery, Ordinary of  
said County



State of Georgia, County of Way

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Elizabeth McHugh who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 36 years old, and is a citizen of Gordon Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with L. C. Long & M. C. Migh who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh is the identical person they represents him self to be in their application for such citizenship.

I have known them all my life  
I know that they are the grand daughter  
of John McElant and I know that  
he had Indian blood in him  
that he was regarded & treated as such  
that he lived in South Carolina,  
the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh  
being sisters

Affiant further states that she has known the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh for the past 25 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said L. C. Long & M. C. Migh to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Elizabeth McHugh

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 7th day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Coby, Ordinary



State of Yn, County of Morran

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John L. Leudley who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 44 years old, and is a citizen of Whitfield and that he is personally acquainted with Delia Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Delia Wright is the identical person they represents them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

appears here I now applicants  
for the last forty years. And I now  
know they are the daughter of Jos. Ireland  
& that Jos. Ireland was the son of  
John Ireland was a half brother  
a quarter blood Cherokee Indian,  
the grand father of applicants.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants for the past 40 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. J. L. Dudley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Coby, Ordinary

**End**





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Nation's No. 4795-

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

*Sarah A. Braden*  
*et al*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*David A. Brondue*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant..... is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurre, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

*Jose Durwell* through whom the petitioner..... claims to derive..... right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*William M. Guager* By *William M. Guager* Attorneys.  
John L. Adam, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct 1896.

*W. Montgomery*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*David A. Brodus*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurre but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Jesse Burnell*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*Montague* By *Harding Litchman & Sanders* Attorneys.  
John J. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the

matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*William M. Guagey*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct* 1896.

*J. Thompson*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



No. 2981 34  
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*Sarah A. Bearden et al*

—vs.—

*The Cherokee Nation*

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J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I *Henry Clay Barritt*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the *28* day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *Sarah A. Burden et al under same*

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of *each witness which were thereto attached*

in support of same

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this

*Henry Clay Barritt*  
day of September, 1896.

*my comm. exp. 21-11-96*  
*Mich. 6-1899.*

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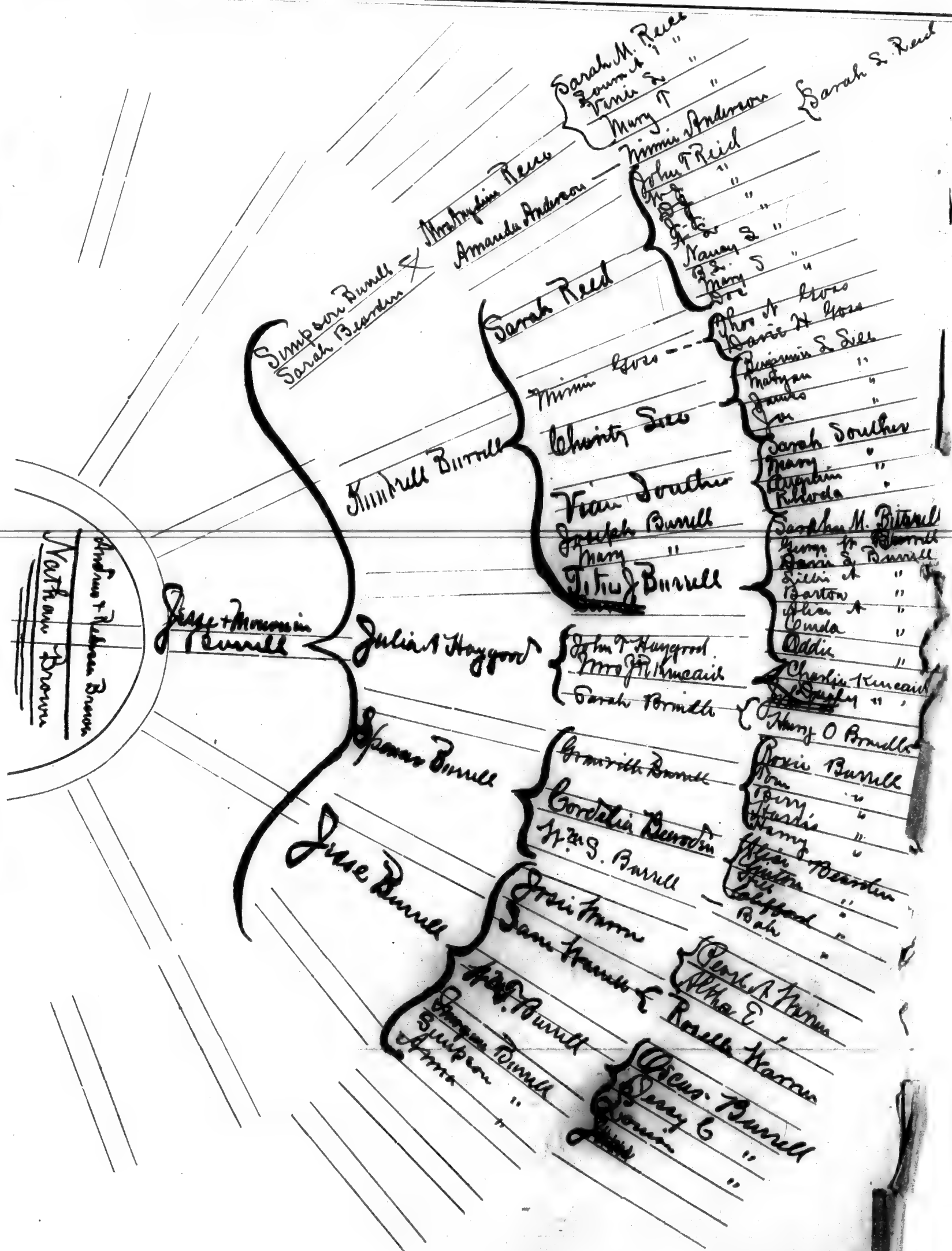
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addressed to

*S. H. Mayes*  
*Tahlequah, Ind.*  
*Cherokee Nation*

# CHART

**Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.**





# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Suzah A. Benally, makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That She is the Daughter of one Jesse Burnett & Manning Burnett and the Granddaughter of one Andrew Brown & Rebecca Brown and the Daughter of one John Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was

Q- Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, his post office address is Lick Lick, Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: one Daughter  
Angelina Reese age 35 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Illinois, COUNTY OF St. Clair

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in ch petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

Wm. Johnson & Co. Baltimore.

State of Georgia, County of Elbert

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. D. Huggins <sup>my 54 years old</sup> ~~Full Met~~ <sup>age 54 years</sup> who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 41 years old, and is a citizen of Alta Vista Elbert County Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Susuk A. Bunker who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Susuk A. Bunker is the identical person he represents him self to be in an application for such citizenship. and from from him personally 41 years and from her to be the daughter of Jerry Burrill and Marianne Burrill and the Mother of Angeline Pace and also from the Marianne Burrill now always recognized as being of Cherokee blood the said Marianne Burrill the Mother of applicant always claimed that she was of Cherokee blood  
I, J. D. Huggins, testify that Marianne Burrill the Mother of applicant was recognized in the community where she lived as being of Cherokee blood Indian blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said Susuk A. Bunker for the past 41 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Susuk A. Bunker indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Susuk A. Bunker is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said S. A. Bunker to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. D. Huggins  
J. D. Huggins

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Angelina Rice makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Sarah D. Huggins and the Granddaughter  
of one Jesse and M. H. Huggins and the Granddaughter  
of one Andrew & Rebecca Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was born

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Little Log, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Calvin Rice  
(her husband) and daughter Sarah M. age 9 years  
Laura A. age 7 years Viola L. age 5 years  
Mary L. age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Angelina Rice  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gibson

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Angelina Rice  
sworn

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. H. Harris  
Notary



State of Georgia, County of DeKalb

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. O. Haygood and J. M. West who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 56 years old, and is a citizen of DeKalb County and that they are personally acquainted with Angelina Rice who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Angelina Rice is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That - she is the daughter of Sarah A. Haygood and granddaughter of Jesse Burrell and Mourner Burrell both Mourner Burrell the grandfathers of applicant was always recognized and treated by her neighbors in the community where she lived as a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.  
That the children of Applicant are Sarah M. Lura A - Virgil L - Mary J -

Affiant further states that they have known the said Angelina Rice for the past 35 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Angelina Rice indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Angelina Rice is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Angelina Rice to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. O. Haygood  
J. M. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Secretary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Ammilla Anderson makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Simon Burrill and the Granddaughter  
of one John Burrill and the Mother of one Simon Burrill  
of one Simon Burrill who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, his post office address is Myers Gap  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Peterson

Endley Anderson, Daughter Minnie  
age 16 months. Her father is a  
brother to Simon Burrill and to  
John Burrill and to Simon A. Burrill  
all of whom claim that they are  
children of Andrew Brown and Rebecca Brown  
who are Cherokee blood originators

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Ammilla Anderson

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Ammilla Anderson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Harris  
Attorney

State of Georgia, County of Gilmer

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Kimball Burrell, Jesse Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 71-54 years old, and is a citizen of Wilkes County and that they are personally acquainted with Annella Andrews who is an applicant for citizenship in the United Nation, I. T., and that the said Annella Andrews is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Simp Burrell and Rebecca Burrell, a granddaughter Jesse Burrell, a grandson Burrell that said Marjorie Burrell's name Marjorie Brown and always recognized as a member of the Cherokee nation as thus also her children and grandchildren that Annella Andrews is the mother of one child about 6 months old

Affiant further states that she has known the said Annella Andrews for the past 22 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Annella Andrews indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Annella Andrews is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Annella Andrews to citizenship in the United Nation, I. T.

Kimball Burrell  
Jesse Burrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred Johnson, Clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John I. Reid makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Sarah Reid and the grand son  
of one Amble Burrill and the great grandson  
of one Mounie Burrill and James Burrill both  
who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 17 years of age, his post office address is Led Log, Ga.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wm. M. Mather Jr.  
Suggeth Sarah L age 2 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John I. Reid  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Etowah

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

John I. Reid  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Wm. Johnson Notary

State of Georgia, County of Wilkes

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Joseph Chastain and J. B. Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 35-40 years old, and is a citizen of Said State of Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with John J. Reel who is an applicant for citizenship in the  Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said John J. Reel is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

We also are acquainted with his Mother Sarah Reel whose maiden name was Sarah Burrell we also his Grandfather Amos Burrell who was always known from him recognized in the community where lived as being a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that they have known the said John J. Reel for the past 17 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John J. Reel indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John J. Reel is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John J. Reel to citizenship in the  Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. B. Burrell  
Joseph Chastain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Suruk Reil makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Highwell Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Mourmin Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Amkaye Brown & Richard Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was both  
her Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 42 years of age, his post office address is Little Log Gap  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Knebel & H. Reil  
Sam W. Reil age 19 years J. J. Reil age 17 years  
D. J. Reil age 15 years J. J. Reil age 13 years  
W. L. Reil age 10 years Viney L. age 8 years  
B. L. age 6 years Mary S. age 2 years Doek  
age 4 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Suruk Reil  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Suruk Reil  
Notary



State of Georgia, County of Chatham

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared A. W. Cowart & Joseph F. Chastain who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 57 years old, and is a citizen of San Diego County and that they are personally acquainted with Susuh Riell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Chatham Nation, I. T., and that the said Susuh Riell is the identical person she represents her self to be in San application for such citizenship.

We also know the father of  
Susuh Riell whose name was Fintus  
Burrell and who was recognized in the  
community where he lived and

Affiant further states that they have known the said Susuh Riell for the past 24 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Susuh Riell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Susuh Riell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Susuh Riell to citizenship in the Chatham Nation, I. T.

A. W. Cowart  
Joseph F. Chastain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson Deputy

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Minda Goss makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Samuel Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Jesse Burrell and the Mother of one Mournin Burrell  
who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 41 years of age, his post office address is Atlanta Ga. No  
1524 North Avenue Street  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Thomas Goss  
Sam Lewis wife Mary Goss

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Minnie Goss

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Etowah

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Minnie Goss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Will Johnson Pickens

State of Georgia, County of Elbert

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 32 years old, and is a citizen of Altamont County Georgia and that they is personally acquainted with Minnie Eoss who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Minnie Eoss is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. That we know that said Minnie Eoss is the daughter of Humbert Burrell the we have been acquainted personally with said Minnie Eoss for 30 years 15 years we know that she is the mother of one child named David Hulley the said Minnie Eoss was formerly married to one Hulley by whom she lived and born the child from that said Minnie Eoss and the family to which her father Humbert Burrell have always been recognized in the community where they have lived as being of Cherokee Indian blood and we know the family for 50-20 years respectively

Affiant further states that they has known the said Minnie Eoss for the past 30-15 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Minnie Eoss indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Minnie Eoss is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Minnie Eoss to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

John Burrell  
M. M. Eoss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER R. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Charity See makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Fernell Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Mourning W. Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Andrew W. Burrell who your petitioner firmly believes was both

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Lee Log, Ga.  
and See family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: son Perryman See  
age 6 years Mary Ann See age 8 years James  
See age 14 years Joe See age 18 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Charity See  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Georgia

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Alphonso Ordway

State of Georgia, County of Adams

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared A. W. Court in Joseph Chastain who after being duly sworn by me, states that that they are 35 years old, and is a citizen of Switzerland and that they are personally acquainted with Charity See who is an applicant for citizenship in the Switzerland Nation, I. T., and that the said Charity See is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

We also know her father Jimbrell Burrill  
and that Jimbrell Burrill has been treated  
and recognized as being of Cherokee blood  
(Indian blood)  
That the names and ages of the children  
of Charity See are given correctly in  
her application herewith presented

Affiant further states that they have known the said Charity See for the past 24 <sup>25</sup> years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Charity See indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Charity See is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Charity See to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. W. Court  
Joseph Chastain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

A. W. Johnson, Notary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William Southern makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Kimball Burrill and the Granddaughter  
of one John Burrill and the Granddaughter  
of one Abner Brown Richard Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was both  
half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 50 years of age, his post office address is Lock Log Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Daughter Sarah  
age 24 years Mary age 21 years - Angelina age  
18 years Rhoda age 14 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

William Southern  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Etowah

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

William Southern  
Attest



State of Georgia, County of Chilton

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. H. M. West me J. H. M. West who after being duly sworn by me, states that they were 56-0056 years old, and is a citizen of Said State of Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Vern Southern who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Vern Southern is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That Vern Southern is the daughter of  
Finnell Burrell in granddaughter of  
Jesse Burrell and William Burrell  
the Moslems Burrell the grandfathers  
of Applicant Mrs. Recognized in the community  
where she lived as being of Cherokee Indian  
Blood

Affiant further states that they had known the said Vern Southern for the past 12 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Vern Southern indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Vern Southern is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they are has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Vern Southern to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

To lay good  
J. H. M. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson  
Notary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Titus J Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son  
Timothy Burrell and the Grandson  
of one Morris Burrell and the Grandson  
of one John Brown and Robert Brown  
who your petitioner firmly believes was both  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 44 years of age, his post office address Lucas, La. Co  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Mary Burrell  
Daughter Sarah M age 20 years George W  
age 18 years Dorsey L age 17 years Lily A  
age 16 years James D age 12 years Burton  
age 10 years Abby A age 14 years - Linda age  
2 years Nellie age 1 year

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Titus J Burrell  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Wilkes

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Titus J Burrell  
swore

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Alfred Johnson  
Silber



State of *Georgia*, County of *Richmond*

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *Weth Comant* *J F M West* who after being duly sworn by me, states that *they* is *57* years old, and is a citizen of *Said State in* *County* and that *they* are personally acquainted with *Titus* *J Burrell* who is an applicant for citizenship in the  *Cherokee* Nation, I. T., and that the said *Titus J Burrell* is the identical person *he* represents *himself* to be in *his* application for such citizenship.

*That he is the son of Kimball Burrell*  
*that said Kimball Burrell the father of*  
*Applicant has been recognized in the community*  
*when believed as being of Cherokee Indian*  
*Blood*

*We also was acquainted with Mourner*  
*Burrell the grandmother of Titus Burrell*  
*that she was also recognized as having*  
*Cherokee Blood*

Affiant further states that *they* has known the said *Titus J Burrell* for the past *24* years and knows that *he* has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said *Titus J Burrell* indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said *Titus J Burrell* of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that *they* has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *Titus J Burrell* to citizenship in the  *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*A W Comant*  
*J F M West*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *28* day of *August* 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *them* to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

*W H Johnson*



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. D. Huggood his son  
John J. Huggood makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the son of one John J. Huggood  
John J. Huggood and the grandson  
of one Maurice Burrell and the grandson  
of one Arthur D. Burrell both  
who your petitioner firmly believes was both  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.  
Your petitioner is John J. Huggood years of age, his post office address is Let Log Run  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. D. Huggood his son  
John J. Huggood  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. D. Huggood his son  
John J. Huggood  
Attest

State of Georgia, County of Wilkes

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Jesse Burrell and John T. Haygood who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 25 years old, and is a citizen of Wilkes county and that he is personally acquainted with John T. Haygood who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said John T. Haygood is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he is the son of D.D. and Julia Haygood  
That Julia Haygood was the daughter of  
William Burrell and Jesse Burrell  
that William Burrell was, always  
recognized as a member of the Cherokee  
Nation or tribe of Indians  
That said John T. Haygood is living  
free and all

Affiant further states that he has known the said John T. Haygood for the past 20 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John T. Haygood indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John T. Haygood is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John T. Haygood to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Jesse Burrell  
John T. Haygood

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred Johnson Bulfinch

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned James R. Kincaid for his children makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That his wife is now dead and was the daughter of one  
J. D. Haygood and July 1st 1890 was the daughter  
of one John Russell and the daughter  
of one Andrew D. Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was both

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 34 years of age, his post office address is Litchy, La.

and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Charles age 9 - was  
born age 6 years and he duly makes application  
for them for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

James R. Kincaid  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF DeKalb

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Harris, Jr.  
Ordinary



State of California, County of Elgin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally ap-

states that they are 56 and 54 years old, and are citizens of Lick Co. Ky.

Sikron County and that ~~they are~~ *he* is personally acquainted with *James R*  
*Finckel* who is an applicant for citizenship in the *United States*

Nation, I. T., and that the said James R. Forscuid is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

for his children than his children church in  
Duty are grand children too they good in  
July & they good the July & they good was  
my daughter of Green and Wommin Burrall  
The said Green & Wommin Burrall were  
consecrated in church to the church the Indian  
Blood in your list at any time because  
that fact <sup>to our knowledge</sup> the efforts were each of them  
personally accompanied with Green and Wommin  
Burrall for the first time since up to the time  
of their death about 20 years ago

Affiant further states that they have known the said McCordants & used as women Burnell for the past 40 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said McCordants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said children is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said James R. Frazier to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Got off West -  
To hang you

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know \_\_\_\_\_ to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Attest John M. Ordway

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Himbrull Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Monim Burrell who your petitioner firmly believes was  
the daughter of Rebecca Brown  
half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 71 years of age, his post office address is Lock Log

and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Elizabeth Burrell  
Daughter Maria age 50 years son Titus age 18  
sons son Joseph Burrell age 14 years Mary  
age 14 years Sarah age 12 years Charity age  
10 years Monim age 5 years the his mother  
Monim Burrell was the daughter of Ambrose  
Brown and Rebecca Brown where the blood originated

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Himbrull Burrell  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Liberty

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Himbrull Burrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Wm. Gibson Ordnary

State of Georgia, County of Silcox

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Gullett E. S. S. S. who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 74 years old, and is a citizen of Silcox County and that she is personally acquainted with Furnell Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Furnell Burrell is the identical person she represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That the Mother of said Furnell Burrell was Mourner Burrell wife of Jesse Burrell that the Maiden name of Mourner Burrell was Mourner Brown I was acquainted with Mourner Burrell & Jesse Burrell in Henderson Co North Carolina about 65 years since ago and I am satisfied that the names and ages of the children and their ages are correctly given by Furnell Burrell in his application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

Affiant further states that Mourner Brown the Mother of Furnell Burrell was a Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that she has known the said Furnell for the past 25 or 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Furnell Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Furnell Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Furnell Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Gullett E. S. S. S.  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson  
Deputy



State of Georgia County of Sum

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. F. M. West who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 54 years old, and is a citizen of Sum State in County and that he is personally acquainted with Kimball Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the

Nation, I. T., and that the said Kimball Burrell is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That I have been personally acquainted with Kimball Burrell for 47 years & also know his Mother Mourning Burrell and know that she was recognized as a member of the Cherokee Nation

Affiant further states that he has known the said Kimball Burrell for the past 47 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Kimball Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Kimball Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Kimball Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. F. M. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. H. Johnson District Attorney

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Ernest A Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of Spencer A Burrell of one  
with the surname of Jesse Burrell and  
of one Mourner Burrell and that Mourner  
of Burrell My grandmother who your petitioner firmly believes was

a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 39 years of age, his post office address is Burnt Mountain, Ga

and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Lydia Burrell  
Daughter Corrie age 12 years Lola age 10  
years Son Berry age 7 years Son Harris  
age 5 years Therby age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.  
E A Burrell  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Etowah

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

E A Burrell  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.  
Wm J. Adams or Secretary

State of Georgia, County of Albany

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. West & James Burrell who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they are 50 & 54 years old, and is a citizen of Sw. State

County and that they are personally acquainted with Erwinville Burrell

Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Sw. State Nation, I. T., and that the said Erwinville Burrell is the identical

person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he is the son of Spencer Burrell  
and the grand son of James M. Burrell  
Burrell that James Burrell  
the grandfather of Erwinville Burrell  
my recognized as a Cherokee Indian  
by blood. He knows the family for  
about 47 years.

Affiant further states that they had known the said Erwinville Burrell for the past 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Erwinville Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Erwinville Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Erwinville Burrell to citizenship in the Sw. State Nation, I. T.

James Burrell  
J. M. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Cordelia Beaudry makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one S. A. Beaudry and the Granddaughter  
of one John Beaudry & Mary Beaudry and the Daughter  
of one John Beaudry & Mary Beaudry who your petitioner firmly believes was Cherokee  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Clinton, Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: William Jeff  
D. Beaudry - daughter Allie age 12 years Son  
Clinton age 11 years Son Will age 6 years Son  
Clifford age 3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Cordelia Beaudry  
By J. W. Graham, J., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Wilkes

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

William Graham  
Notary Public



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Wm S Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Spencer A Burrell and the grandson  
of one James Burrell & Mourning Burrell  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Menard Bluff, Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Juliette  
Burrell - one son name - age 3 -  
months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Wm S Burrell

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Silva

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Wm S Burrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Al Johnson



State of Georgia, County of Wilkes

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Joseph Chastain who after being duly sworn by me, states that my son years old, and is a citizen of Said State and that my son personally acquainted with Mr. J. Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mr. J. Burrell is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

My son from his father's opinion  
of Burrell who has treated well  
recognizes him in the community where  
he lives as a member of the Cherokee  
tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mr. J. Burrell for the past 22 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mr. J. Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mr. J. Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mr. J. Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Joseph Chastain  
J. J. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Ordaining

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1893, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sarah J. Brindle makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one J. D. McJury Hargood and the Grand daughter  
of one John Brindle and Mourning Brindle  
of one John Brindle who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Curtis, Se. Libur  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: John Brindle  
Brindle, Son Henry A Brindle - age 3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Sarah J. Brindle  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Libur

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sarah J. Brindle  
her

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Alfred H. Harris



State of Georgia, County of Echam

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *J. D. Huggood and J. M. West* who after being duly sworn by me, states that *they are 56 and 54* years old, and *are* citizens of *Richmond* County and that *they are* personally acquainted with *Emah J. Brindle*

who is an applicant for citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T., and that the said *Emah J. Brindle* is the identical person *she* represents *her* self to be in *her* application for such citizenship.

*That she is the daughter of J. D. and Julia A. Huggood and granddaughters of Green Burrell and Mourning Burrell with the said ~~Emah J. Brindle~~ Mourning Burrell the village*  
*Recognized us being of Cherokee blood the*  
*have known them the said Green and Mourning*  
*Burrell for 44 years up to their death about*  
*Twenty years ago and from that they claimed*  
*in their child declaration the fact that they*  
*were Cherokee by blood*  
*And that Emah J. Brindle is the mother*  
*of one son Henry Nelson Brindle*

Affiant further states that *they* have known the said *Green and Mourning Burrell* for the past *44* years and knows that *they* have been recognized and treated by *their* neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as *a* person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said *children* indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to *us* by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said *children* is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that *they* have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *Emah J. Brindle* to citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*J. D. Huggood*  
*J. M. West*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *them* to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

*Al Johnson*  
*Ordinary*



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Josie Warren makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Josie & Mary Burrell and the Granddaughter  
of one Josie & Mourning Burrell and the  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was

a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river:

Your petitioner is 26 years of age, his post office address is Lick Log Ga

and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Nickson Frank

Warren Daughter Paul A - age 5 years Altha

age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Josie Warren

By W. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gibson

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Josie Warren

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Altham Ordway

State of Georgia, County of Richmond

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. H. West of Kimball Burrill who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 56- and 71 years old, and is a citizen of Said State of

Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Josie Warren who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Josie Warren is the identical person she represents him self to be in an application for such citizenship.

The said Josie Warren is the daughter of Jacob and Elvira Burrill and the grand daughter of Jere Burrill and Morris Burrill. The said Josie Warren is the mother of 2 children, to wit: Dora H. and Alice C. A. Her the Burrill family have always been recognized in the community there as being of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that they have known the said Josie Warren for the past 25 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Josie Warren indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Josie Warren is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Josie Warren to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Kimball Burrill  
J. H. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred Johnson - Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned James Warren makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of James and Elvira  
Burrill and the Granddaughter  
of one James Burrill and Mourning Burrill  
of one Lotha  
who your petitioner firmly believes was Lotha  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, his post office address Little Log

and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Hubert Melly

Warren Daughter Rosile age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

James Warren  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gilmer

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. H. Johnson Ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Sibon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Haygood Furbush Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 36 <sup>and 71-</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Alto District Sibon Co Ga and that he is personally acquainted with June Murren who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said June Murren is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. That she is the daughter of James and Oliver Burrell and Granddaughter of James and Mourner Burrell who has been well acquainted with the said Burrell the Grandmother of applicant for 42 years and from that she was always recognized as being of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and that the children and Grandchildren of said Mourner Burrell and James Burrell were he treated in connection with the community where they live as being of Cherokee descent

Affiant further states that he has known the said June Murren for the past 25 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said June Murren indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said June Murren is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said June Murren to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Haygood Furbush Burrell  
Notary Public  
Alto District  
Georgia

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William J. Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one John Burrell and the grandson  
of one Monahan and John Burrell and the great grandson  
of one Andrew W. Johnson Brown who your petitioner firmly believes was both

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Thyges Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Sarah M  
son Oscar E age 8 years daughter Dorey C age  
6 years son John E age 14 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Wm J Burrell  
By F. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Wilkes

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Wm J Burrell  
Notary Public

State of Georgia County of Edwin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mr. Count J. Hall West who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 57 & 56 years old, and is a citizen of South State in County Burrell and that they are personally acquainted with Mr. J. Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mr. J. Burrell is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

We also know the father of Affiant  
At Mr. J. Burrell for 24 years  
in 25 years in from the time was  
Recognized as being of Cherokee  
Indian descent

Affiant further states that they have known the said Mr. J. Burrell for the past 24 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mr. J. Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mr. J. Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mr. J. Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. V. Cowart  
J. H. West

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Al Johnson Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John Burrell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of John Burrell and of one  
Mourning Burrell and the in the brother  
of one Rebecca Brown and Andrew Brown  
of one half who your petitioner firmly believes was both  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Lick Log Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: None known

Son Thomas age 20 years daughter Jane age 18 years  
daughter John age 16 years Son James age 24  
James Simpson age 28 daughter Anne 17 and  
all

That he claims the Cherokee blood being the  
grandson of Andrew and Rebecca Brown there the  
blood is in him

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John Burrell  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Etowah

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

John Burrell  
sworn

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. W. Harris  
Attorney

State of Georgia, County of Wilkes

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Gullis Sumner <sup>W.D. Haggood</sup> who after being duly sworn by me, states that they <sup>was</sup> 76 years old, and is a citizen of Wilkes county Georgia and that they <sup>are</sup> personally acquainted with Jesse Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Jesse Burrell is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That from the said Jesse Burrell is the son of Jesse Burrell and Mourner Burrell and the daughter of Mourner Burrell and Mourner Broun who was always recognized as a Cherokee Indian in number of the Cherokee tribe

Affiant further states that they <sup>W.D.</sup> have known the said Jesse Burrell for the past 25 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Jesse Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Jesse Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they <sup>are</sup> have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Jesse Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Gullis Sumner  
W.D. Haggood

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 7 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W.D. Haggood  
Ordinary

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Nation's No. 4768  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of  
*Sarah Anderson*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Sorah Anderson*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his *fore* said demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that..... *He*

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim *to* derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. McGuire* *John B. Adams* Attorneys.

*John B. Adams*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *October*, 1896.

*J. B. Adams*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



No. 293337

Court.

Term, 189

*Anderson, Reice et al.*

*The Cherokee Nation*

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*Filed 9/8/96*

*N. W. Jacobson*  
*Deputy*

*Filed in Clerk's office*

*Respectfully*

Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, Jr.,  
DARTERVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barnett, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Sarah Andersson and others at under Sam Corn  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
and of the affidavits of each return attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

W. H. Harris  
Notary Public  
Sept 6-1896

REGISTRY RECEIPT	
Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter No.	524 Rec'd
of	<u>W. H. Harris</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u> <u>Cherokee Nation</u>

Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained

true copies of the application of Sarah Anderson, Amanda Mason  
J. M. Rees, Martha Evans, Mary E. Byers, M. W. Rees, J. J. Rees  
and Elizabeth Rees, James Kirkendall, Carolyn Kirkendall

and of the affidavits of J. W. Rees, Mary Rees, Carolyn Kirkendall  
James Kirkendall, E. C. Disharoon, Lucinda Harris, et al

in support of same.

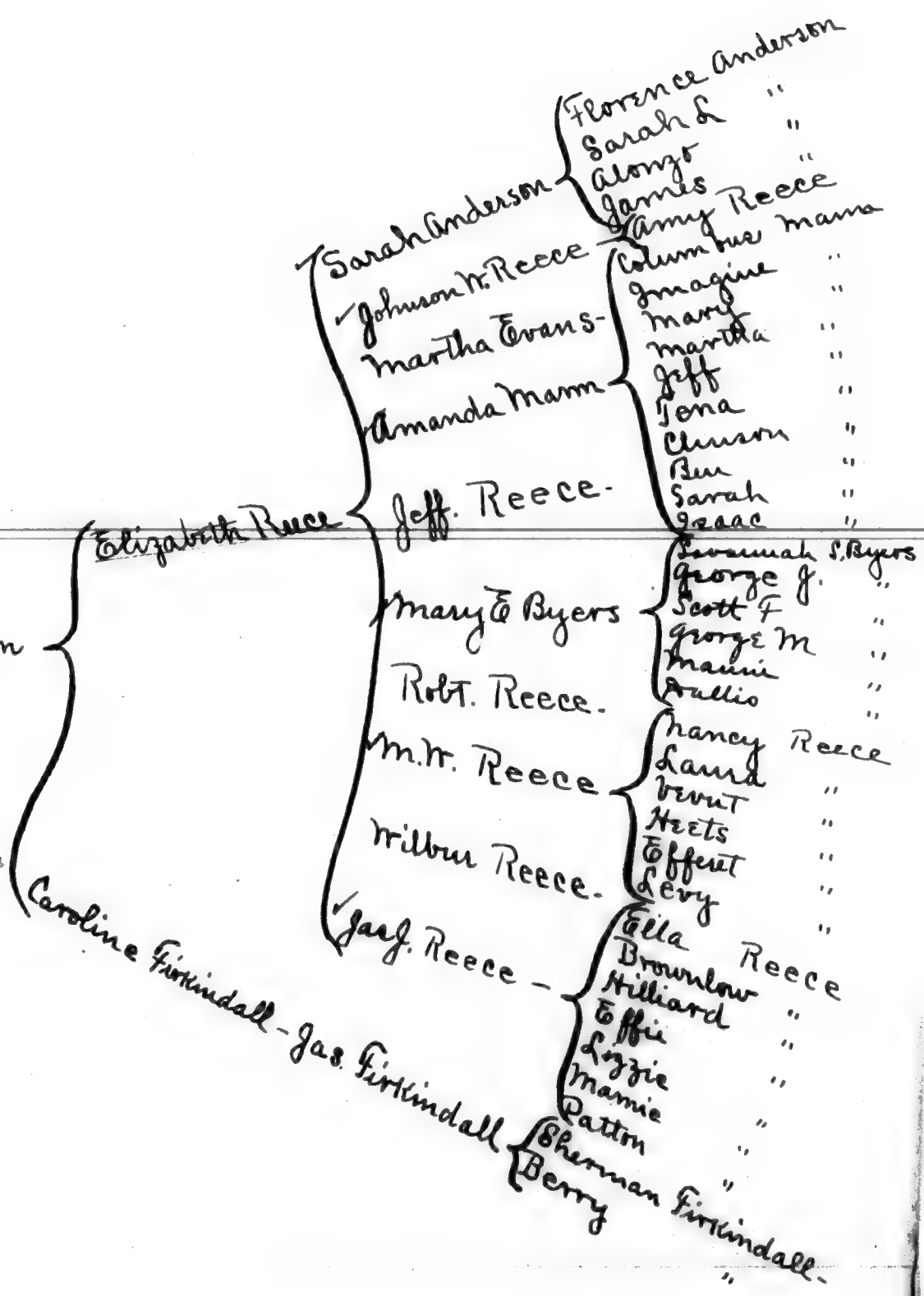
Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.



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Mrs Newman - Jas Newman  
(or human)



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Suzah Anderson makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Elizabeth Rice and the Granddaughter  
of one James Keenan and the Great Granddaughter  
of one William Keenan who your petitioner firmly believes was an  
Indian Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Cartersville Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Herbert James  
Anderson - Daughter Susan Florence age 6 yrs  
Daughter Sarah L. age 5 years Son Alonzo  
age 3 years Son James M 6 months old

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Suzah Anderson  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Liberty

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Suzah Anderson  
made

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Alfred Brown Decling



State of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. W. Rice & Mary Rice who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they <sup>1821</sup> <sup>1852</sup> <sup>1876</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Gilman County

Georgia and that they ~~are~~ personally acquainted with Sarah

Anderson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Sarah Anderson is the identical

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Mrs Elizabeth

Rice and the Granddaughter of James Newman

who was a member of the Cherokee Nation

and who was always treated and recognized

as a citizen in the community where she

lived as of the Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that they has known the said Sarah Anderson

for the past 26 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-

plexion and physical appearance of the said Sarah Anderson indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Sarah Anderson is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Sarah Anderson

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

J. W. Rice  
Mary Rice  
Notary  
Anderson

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Amanda Munn makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Charles R. Reese one  
and Granddaughter of James Munn  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Curtis Co  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband: Antony  
Munn. Son Columbus age 1.19 Daughter  
Gina age 13 years. Mary age 12 years. Martha age  
14 years. Son Jeff age 9 years. Son  
17 years. Daughter age 6 years. Son  
4 years. Son age 4 years. Grace age 3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Amanda Munn  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Wilkes

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Amanda Munn

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

A. Johnson  
Notary

State of Georgia, County of Edwin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Rice & Mary Rice who after being duly sworn by me, states that they <sup>are</sup> 45 & 46 years old, and is a citizen of Said State and County and that they are personally acquainted with Amanda Mum who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Amanda Mum is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the oldest daughter & oldest child of Elizabeth Rice & granddaughter of James Newman. That they affiants have been personally acquainted with Mrs Elizabeth Rice since Mrs. Newman was born for 35 or 40 years and have also known said Amanda Mum since her birth

Affiant further states that they <sup>have</sup> known the said Amanda Mum for the past 35 <sup>since her birth</sup> years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Amanda Mum indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Amanda Mum is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Amanda Mum to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Rice  
Mary Rice

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Deputy



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Johnson W. Rice makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Elizabeth Rice and the son  
of one James Neuman and the son  
of one William Neuman who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his post office address is Destiny, Okla. Co  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Mrs. America  
Rice - w Daughter Ary age 3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J W Rice

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Liberty

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J W Rice

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Ally Johnson  
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State of Georgia, County of Edmon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. W. Rice and Mary Rice who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they are <sup>45 or 46</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Edmon County

Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Johnson

W. Rice who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Johnson W. Rice is the identical

person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

That said Johnson W. Rice is the son of

Elizabeth Rice whose maiden name was

Elizabeth Newman that the grandfather

of Johnson W. Rice is not James Newman

and a member of the Cherokee Nation in

1838 and was so treated and recognized

by his neighbors in the community where they

live

Affiant further states that they have known the said Johnson W. Rice

for the past 24 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-

plexion and physical appearance of the said Johnson W. Rice indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Johnson W. Rice is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Johnson W. Rice

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. W. Rice  
Mary Rice

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Murtha Evans makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Elizabeth Lee and the Granddaughter  
of one James Munson and the Great Granddaughter  
of one William Munson who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 18 years of age, his post office address is Justice, Le Fourn Co  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Hickman  
Leiter Evans

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Murtha Evans  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Oregon, COUNTY OF Gibson

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Ally Johnson  
Ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Richmond

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Reese & Mary Reese who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they were 45 & 46 years old, and is a citizen of Said State of

County and that they are personally acquainted with Martha

Evans who is an applicant for citizenship in the Christian

Nation, I. T., and that the said Martha Evans is the identical

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

that the maiden name of said Martha Evans

was Martha Reese who she is the daughter

Elizabeth Reese and granddaughter of one

James Keener,

that the name of the husband of Martha

Evans is Lister Evans

Affiant further states that they have known the said Martha Evans for the past 18 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Martha Evans indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Martha Evans is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Martha Evans to citizenship in the Christian Nation, I. T.

J. M. Reese  
Mary Reese

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. Johnson Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mary J. Byers makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Elizabeth Reese and the Granddaughter  
of one James Newman and the Granddaughter  
of one James Newman who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 30 years of age, his post office address is Burns Mountain, Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Martha V. D.  
Byers - Daughter Savannah, Ga age 12 years  
Son George age 10 years - Son Beatty  
age 8 years - George M. age 7 - Daughter  
Mattie age 4 years - Dallas age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mary J. Byers  
By J. W. Harris, Jr. Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Liberty

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Will Johnson Notary



State of Burgess County of Sitka

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Catherine Knappendall who after being duly sworn by me,

states that she is 35 years old, and is a citizen of Mishik Vill

Byres and that she is personally acquainted with Mary B

Byres who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary B Byres is the identical

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Elizabeth

Byres of Burgess County Georgia and that

Elizabeth Byres has resided

in the community where she has lived

as being of the Cherokee Indian tribe

that her Grandfather James Munson

was one of the original settlers of

the Cherokee tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that she has known the said Mary B Byres

for the past 37 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-

plexion and physical appearance of the said Mary B Byres indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Mary B Byres is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary B Byres

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Catherine Knappendall  
Catherine Knappendall

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

Wm Johnson  
Ordinary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mr. William Reece makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one Elizabeth Reece and the Grandson  
of one James Keenum and the Great Grandson  
of one William Keenum who your petitioner firmly believes was of  
Cherokee Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 32 years of age, his post office address is Antony Gibson's  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Mary Knight  
Daughter Beret - age 7 years  
Daughter age 5 years  
Son Effert age 3 years  
Daughter age 2 years  
Brother to my mother Live in Arkansas - Nebo  
P-O Benton County and applied for citizenship in  
Cherokee Nation Mr. W. Reece

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

M. W. Reece

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gibson

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

M. W. Reece

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Ally Gibson Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Richmond

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared M. W. Reese and Mary Reese who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are <sup>40 years</sup> years old, and is a citizen of United States and County and that they are personally acquainted with M. W. Wilson Reese who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said M. W. Reese is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Will is the son of Elizabeth Reese and the  
kinsman of James Sumner who was  
recognized by his neighbors and acquaintances  
as a member of the Cherokee Nation or  
Cherokee tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that they <sup>have</sup> known the said M. W. Reese for the past 32 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said M. W. Reese indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said M. W. Reese is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said M. W. Reese to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17th day of August, 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Deputy



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned James Jeff Rice makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Elizabeth Rice and the grandson  
of one James Newman and the grandson  
of one William Newman who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 43 years of age, his post office address is Dest. C. J. Rice  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Miss Nellie  
Rice - Daughter Ellen - age 12 years - son  
Brownlow - age 10 years - son William  
age 8 years - daughter Effie age 7 years  
daughter Lizzie age 5 years - daughter  
Minnie age 4 years - son Dutton age 1 1/2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. W. Harris, Jr.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Liberty

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J. W. Harris, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Will Johnson  
Notary



State of Georgia, County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. W. Reece and Mary Reece who after being duly sworn by me,

states that They are 45 and 54 years old, and is a citizen of Etowah County

Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with James

J. Reece who is an applicant for citizenship in the Christian

Nation, I. T., and that the said James J. Reece is the identical

person he represents himself to be in this application for such citizenship.

That applicant is the Grandson of James

Neumann and the son of Elizabeth Reece

That the Neumann family the Grandfather

of Applicant were considered and treated in

the community where they lived as members

of the Cherokee Indian Tribe the Grandfather

of Elizabeth Reece the Mother of Applicant for

38 and 40 years and also have known her

children to wit Amanda James J. W. W.

Mary - Chrissa - Sallie - Milburn -

John - Martha - Robert - all of whom

are the children of said Elizabeth Reece

Reece

Affiant further states that they have known the said James J. Reece

for the past 35 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-

plexion and physical appearance of the said James J. Reece indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said James J. Reece is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said James J. Reece

to citizenship in the Christian Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Elizabeth Reece makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one James Newman and the Granddaughter  
of one William Newman and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 55 years of age, his post office address is Carters Station Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband Marion  
Reece - Daughter Annetta age 35 years Jeff 1893  
James Wilson age 32 years daughter Mary age 30 years  
Hughes Clarrice age 28 years daughter Carter  
age 26 years Son Melburn age 24 years Son  
Edm age 22 years daughter Minnie age 18 years Son  
Robert age 16 years Elizabeth Reece

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elizabeth Reece  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Sevier

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Elizabeth Reece  
All Johnson Ordway



State of Georgia, County of Sibon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared ~~James Newman~~ James Newman who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 70 years old, and is a citizen of Danson county Ga and that he is personally acquainted with Elisabeth Rice who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Elisabeth Rice is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. and I knew her father James Newman and her grand father William Newman both of South Carolina where she lived I knew both James and William Newman and knew that the applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee nation to wit Elisabeth Rice is a daughter of James Newman and the grand daughter of William Newman and that James and William Newman was always recognized in the community the lived as been Cherokee blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said Elisabeth Rice for the past 50 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elisabeth Rice indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elisabeth Rice is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Elisabeth Rice to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness  
Peter Weaver  
J. J. Weaver

L. L. Oinkarover

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alm Johnson  
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State of Georgia County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Lucinda Norris age 54 years who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 80 years old, and is a citizen of Dickens County Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with Elizabeth

Reece who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Elizabeth Reece is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

And I know her father James Keenum and her  
Grandfather William Keenum both of South  
Carolina where they lived I know both  
James and William Keenum and know that the  
applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
is not Elizabeth Reece is the daughter of James  
Keenum and the granddaughter of Mrs Keenum  
and that James and William Keenum of this  
county recognize in the community where  
she lives as being of Cherokee blood

Affiant further states that she has known the said Elizabeth Reece for the past 54 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elizabeth Reece indicates the Indian type. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elizabeth Reece is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Elizabeth Reece citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness  
1 E. G. Diskaroon  
2 Peter Weaver

Lucinda Norris

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Ordinary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William Fintendall make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Caroline Fintendall one of the daughters of James Armstrong who your petitioner firmly believes was of the

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 34 years of age, his postoffice address is Monticello Ga. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Susan Fintendall  
Sons: Arnold 14 yrs. Daughter Antoinette  
age 12 yrs. Wife 11 yrs. 9 yrs. Son Wiley  
age 7 yrs. Rufus 5 yrs. 5 yrs. Fintendall

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

W. A. Key Ken dall

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

## STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

W. A. Key Ken dall  
John W. Harris



State of Georgia Personall came  
Citizen County A H Mann and Joseph  
Lusk B Christman  
who being duly sworn say on their  
oath that they are 36-32 years old and are  
personally acquainted with William -  
Fitzhindle son of Mable Hill and  
who is making application for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation that said Mr  
Fitzhindle is a son of Caroline Fitzhindle  
and that said Caroline Fitzhindle was  
recognized as having Cherokee Indian  
Blood that said Mr Fitzhindle has also  
been recognized and treated by his neighbors  
and the public generally as a person of Indian  
Blood - that the complexion and appearance  
of said Mr Fitzhindle indicates the Indian  
type and that they have known him for the  
past 20-25 years and from statements  
made to us by those who have known him  
longer we have reason to believe and  
do believe that said Mr Fitzhindle  
is of genuine Indian Blood

Sworn and Subscribed

Sept 1-1894

All Witnesses

And the witnesses are

both personally known

to me and are credible

Witnesses

All Witnesses

Writing

to be signed  
J. B. Christman



George J. H. Johnson Attorney  
Linn County of Scott County Iowa  
Certify that I have been  
acquainted with Sallie Simard and  
her children <sup>for some</sup> years and in making application  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
that the children of Sallie Simard  
show definitely and clearly that they  
are of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians  
I was a pupil among the full blood  
Cherokee Indians in Western North  
Carolina where I had a good opportunity  
to know their habits and mode of  
life and also their physical appearance  
their peculiar way of talking  
and of looking at others all of which is  
clearly developed in the children of  
Sallie Simard they have long straight  
black hair long ears and their  
brother and in traveling go one behind  
the other their features and general appearance  
clearly indicate the genuine Indian  
type.

I have not known the family of  
Finnell Burrell as long as I have  
known the Simard family but from  
their appearance and habits of life and  
from statements made to me by them and  
others I have no doubt that they are of  
the genuine Indian type.  
I have no interest in their claims but  
state in the interest of justice only to  
them my friend and Seal? All yours  
This September 2, 1894 George J. H. Johnson

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned James Kirkendall makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one Caroline Kirkendall and the Graville  
of one James Munner and the Graville  
of one James Munner who your petitioner firmly believes was 16  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived this Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his post office address is Marble Hill Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife - Son  
Shuman age 5 years - Son Perry age  
3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

James Kirkendall

By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

James Kirkendall

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of, and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Harris  
Attorney

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Caroline F. Kendall makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one James V. Munn and the Granddaughter  
of one William Munn and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 58 years of age, his post office address is Mable Hill Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows Son William

age 34 Son James age 35 years that  
James Munn and of Cherokee blood  
He says and that she is a sister to  
Elizabeth Rice of Echols County Ga

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Caroline Ruykendall

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Echols

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Caroline Ruykendall

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Will Johnson  
Notary



State of Yingou, County of Gibuz

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Lawrence H. Hurd who after being duly sworn by me,

states that ~~they~~ <sup>she</sup> is ~~25~~ <sup>26</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Marble Hill MO  
~~Quincy CO Mo~~ and that ~~they~~ <sup>she</sup> is personally acquainted with Cassius  
Hirshendoff who is an applicant for a ship in the navy

Nation, I. T., and that the said Curdine Ferdinand is the identical person she represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Will the Hon. Sec. father James K. Kuman  
and his Grand father Mr. Kuman both  
of South Carolina the said Caroline  
Kestindall MS a daughter of James Kuman  
and grandmother of W. K. Kuman and the  
both Mr. and James Kuman have always  
been recognized in the community where they  
lived as having pure Indian blood.

Affiant further states that She has known the said Caroline Fisk Holland for the past 50 years and knows that She has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Caroline Fisk Holland indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Caroline Fisk Holland is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Caroline Fisk Holland to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

1 J W Neighbours : Linnæa Nurzy  
2 Laureia Janet : E & Oiskaroon

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Wm Johnson & Son

State of Georgia, County of Liberty

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Lorenz H. Hargis and J. C. Hargis who after being duly sworn by me, states that Thy Hargis years old, and is a citizen of North Hill, Ark. Ark. who is an applicant for citizenship in the United States Nation, I. T., and that the said Gloria Fur Knoll is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

He also known that he is a son of  
Caroline Fiskinsell and the mother  
Erumpfurther James M. M. M. M. M.  
Erumpfurther M. M. M. M. M. M.  
in South Carolina and from the both  
them and Caroline Fiskinsell the mother  
of James Fiskinsell always Miss Correll  
and recognize us history of the character  
Gladwin Fiskinsell and the father the family  
for fifty years or more

Affiant further states that thy has known the said James F. Marshall for the past 30 + 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said James F. Marshall indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said James F. Marshall is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said James F. Marshall to citizenship in the Chiricahua Nation, I. T.

1. ~~J. McKnight~~ : J. McKnight  
2. ~~E. L. Osherson~~ : E. L. Osherson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Alv Johnson Dubois

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Nation's No.

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Sonal Murray*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY

SEC.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

Sarah M. Mott

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving the aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

James M. Mott through whom the petitioner claims to derive her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By William M. Mott and John L. Mott Attorneys.  
Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, 15 day of Oct, 1886.

William M. Mott  
John L. Mott  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



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Sarah Mulkey et al

—vs.—

Cherokee Nation

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Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Sarah Mulkey et al under  
same case  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of all the witnesses thereto attached

in support of same.

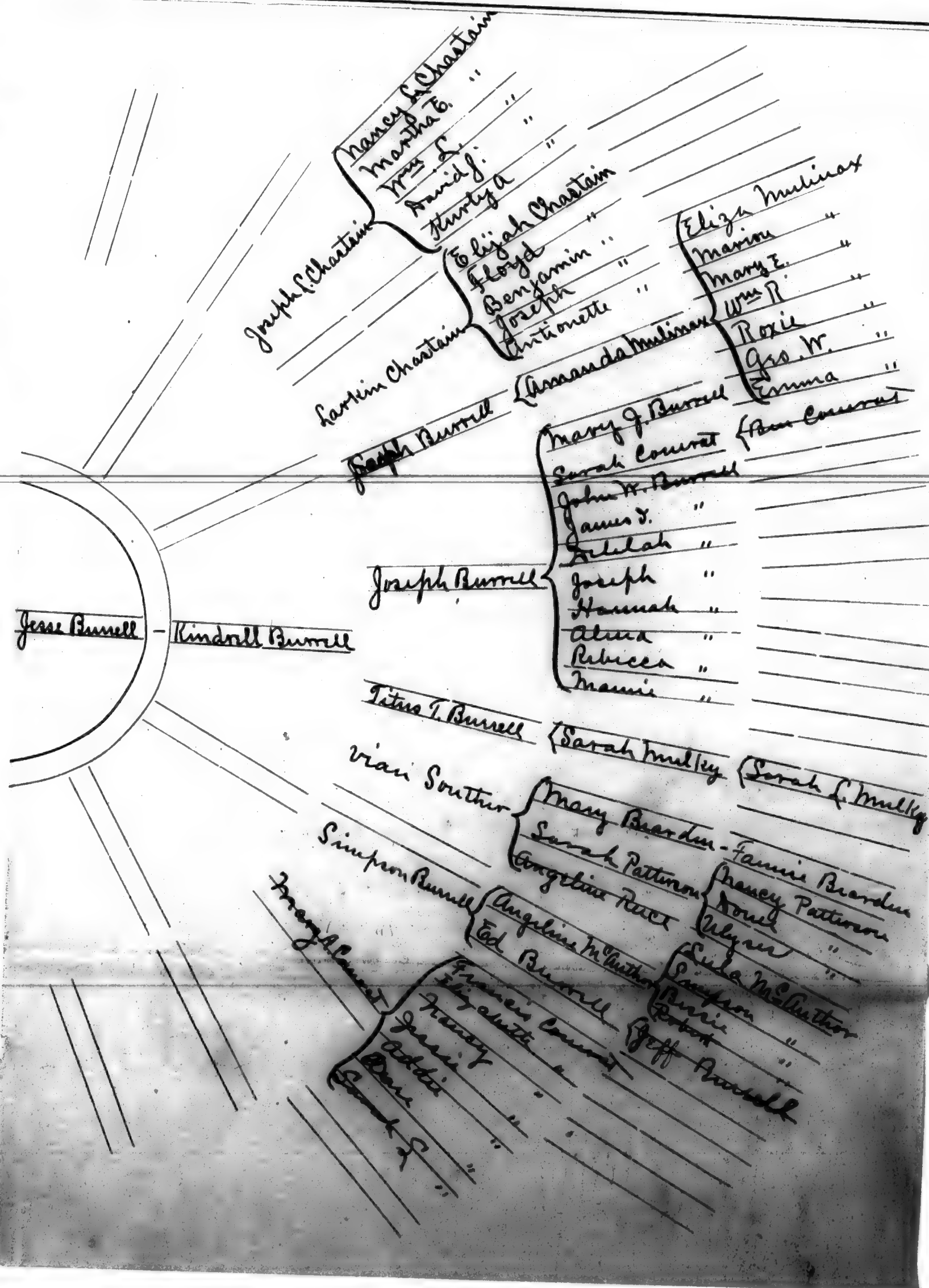
Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My comm. Exp'd  
Mich. 6-1899

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter No. <u>517</u>	Rec'd
of <u>J. H. Barritt</u>	Sept 9 1896
addressed to <u>S. H. Mayes</u>	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
<u>Tahlequah</u>	1896
<u>R. H. Thompson</u>	P. M.

## —CHART—

Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sarah Mulley make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Julius J. Burrill of one Granddaughter of Marshall Burrill of one who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 20 years of age, his postoffice address is Bent Mountain Ga and she family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband Monroe Mulley - Daughter Sarah Lige Months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits determination.

Sarah Mulley  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 1 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

W. J. Harris, Jr.  
Notary

refer to testimony of  
Sarah A. Barden et al

State of Georgia, County of Liberty

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Joseph L. Christian & J. B. Christian who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 35 and 32 years old, and is a citizen of Liberty County Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Susie Muddy who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Susie Muddy is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Lutus J. Burrell and granddaughter of Thimble Burrell who has been recognized as a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that they have known the said Susie Muddy for the past 20 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Susie Muddy indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Susie Muddy is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Susie Muddy to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Joseph L. Christian  
J. B. Christian

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. H. Brown Clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, Annula M. Mullins makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one S. A. Burrell  
and the Granddaughter of one Juan Burrell & M. Burrell  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 44 years of age, his post office address is Destiny, Ga.  
and J. Mullins, Son, War R. 21 years Mary  
E. 17 years Marion L. 15 years Eliza  
12 years - Rev. 11 years Geo W  
10 years - Emma 3 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Annula M. Mullins  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Harris, Jr.



State of Arizona, County of Yuma

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. F. West and Joseph Christman who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 60 years old, and is a citizen of Indian country

and that they are personally acquainted with Aminda Mullinax who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Aminda Mullinax is the identical person she represents Am self to be in her application for such citizenship.

She is the daughter of S. A. Burrell  
and granddaughter of Green Burrell of  
Morrison, Burrell and Morrison, Burrell  
has recognized us a Cherokee or as  
having Cherokee Indian blood

Affiant further states that they have known the said Aminda Mullinax for the past 40 <sup>and 25</sup> years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said A Mullinax indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said A Mullinax is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said A Mullinax to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. F. West  
Joseph Christman

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson Deputy

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS R. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned *Luther B. Chastain* make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That *his wife who is now dead Mrs. Anne*  
*Daughter of Aliquitha and the late*  
of one ..... who your petitioner firmly believes was .....  
.....

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived *his* Indian blood entitling *him* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is *32* years of age, his postoffice address is *Litch, La. La.*  
and *his* family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: *Chastain, son*  
*of John and Mary Chastain, age 10, son of John*  
*and Mary Chastain, age 7, son of John*  
*and Mary Chastain, age 5, son of John*  
.....

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

*L. B. Chastain*  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *13th* day of *July*, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in *his* petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

*Wm. J. Harris, Jr. District Clerk*



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

**CABANISS and ALEXANDER B ARMSTRONG**, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Joseph L. Chouteau make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That Geo. W. Burrill the wife Mrs. M. D. Burrill the daughter  
of Timothy Burrill and the Granddaughter of  
John Burrill & Almon Burrill and your petitioner firmly believes was 4

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived. 1/16 Indian blood entitling him to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation. John W. Chilton

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his postoffice address is Lic. 2, Fox Co. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: *Chiltham*, Daughter *Virginia* age 15 years, *Minister* age 13 years, Son *Tom* age 11 years, *Samuel* age 9 years, *Henry A.* age 6 years.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits determination.

BY J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of May 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the intention person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

*All persons ordering*



State of Georgia, County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Reese and Joseph Chastain who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they are 35 years old, and is a citizen of Etowah County

Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Lester B Chastain who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Lester B Chastain is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

That the Marietta Cherokee Reese  
the daughter of Elizabeth Reese that  
said Cherokee was born with the children  
surrounding her are Eliza - Floyd -  
Ann - James - Joseph and Artemus all  
of whom are now living with the children  
of Cherokee Chastain and Lester B  
Chastain that Elizabeth Reese was  
always recognized as being of Cherokee  
Indian blood and is the grandmother of  
the said children of said L B Chastain  
and Cherokee Chastain deceased.

Affiant further states that they has known the said L B Chastain  
for the past 29 years and knows that the Marietta Cherokee  
Reese and Chastain has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said children indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said children is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said children  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. J. Reese  
Joseph Chastain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

William H. Arlison

State of Georgia, County of Sevier

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Alfred Coward & L.B. Christman

who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they were 57 years old, and is a citizen of Pickens & Sevier

County and that they are personally acquainted with Joseph L. Christman

who is an applicant for citizenship in the

Nation, I. T., and that the said Joseph L. Christman is the identical

person he represents him self to be in the application for such citizenship.

That his wife who is now dead was the

daughter of Simrell Burrell who was

recognized as a member of the Cherokee

Nation - that the children of Joseph L.

Christman by his said wife have been called

are Mary L. - Martha - Mr. L. - David &

and Harriet all of whom are now living

and are the grand children of Simrell

Burrell a recognized member of the

Cherokee tribe of Indians by all who

know him

That the name of the Mother of said children

was Polly M. Christman formerly Polly M.

Burrell

Affiant further states that they have known the said Joseph L. Christman

for the past 22 years and knows that his children

has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-

plexion and physical appearance of the said children indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said children is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said children

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. W. Coward

L. B. Christman

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred Coward



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, Samuel B. Covert.....make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Joseph B. Burrell and Granddaughter of Frederick Burrell of one the Burrell of one who your petitioner firmly believes was. &c.

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived..... Indian blood entitling..... to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Missis-  
sippi river.

Your petitioner is 23 years of age, his postoffice address is Bent Mountain  
and Spa 2 family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Kelso & Co.

For: *Wagner, O. - 27 June*

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Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

*Suzuk Shigeomori*

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of July, 1994, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the indentured person represented in 11.2 petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

St. Johnsen - Buching



State of *Georgia* County of *Sikron*

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *A. W. Court J. L. Christensen* who after being duly sworn by me, states that *they* *was* *37* *30* years old, and is a citizen of *Pickens* *in* *Sikron* *County* and that *they* *was* personally acquainted with *Sarah J. Court* who is an applicant for citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T., and that the said *Sarah J. Court* is the identical person *she* represents *her* self to be in *her* application for such citizenship.

*That she is the daughter of Joseph Burrill and Granddaughter of Kimball Burrill who was recognized by his neighbors in the People generally in the community where he lived as a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians Affiants state that they have known Joseph Burrill and his son Joseph Burrill for 24 years and 30 years that they were treated as being of the Cherokee tribe of Indians*

Affiant further states that *they* has known the said *Sarah J. Court* for the past *22* years and knows that *she* has been recognized and treated by *her* neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said *Sarah J. Court* indicates the Indian type. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew *her* longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said *Sarah J. Court* is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that *they* has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *Sarah J. Court* to citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*A. W. Court*  
*Joseph L. Christensen*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *1st* day of *September* 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *her* to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

*Alfred H. Sullivan*

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, Joseph Burrell make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one Franklin Burrell and the Grandson of John Burrell and Mary Burrell who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 44 years of age, his postoffice address is Burnt Mountain, Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: John Burrell age 22 years May 1 age 21 years John W. age 17 years June 3 age 14 years Juliah age 15 years Joseph age 13 years Marion age 10 years William age 9 years Rubens age 7 years Mary age 6 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits determination.

Joseph Burrell  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23 day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

William B. Bickney



State of Georgia, County of Liberty

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Rees & Larkin Chastain who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they are 51 <sup>and 32</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Liberty County

Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Joseph Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Joseph Burrell is the identical

person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

that Joseph Burrell is the son of Kimball Burrell - and grandson of John Burrell and Maunier Burrell - Nicholas Rice testifies that Kimball Burrell has been recognized as a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. Nicholas Chastain remembers John Burrell and Maunier Burrell as remembering that they were treated as members of the Cherokee Nation - as also Mrs. Kimball Burrell and her son Joseph Burrell.

Affiant further states that they had known the said Joseph Burrell for the past 60 <sup>and 20</sup> years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his

neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Joseph Burrell indicates the Indian

type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the

applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe

that the said Joseph Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Joseph Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. J. Rees  
L. B. Chastain

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of September 1896,

and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good

character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson Attorney



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Angeline Rucci make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Wm. Southern one  
Emmeline daughter of Fambrell Burrall of one  
of one..... who your petitioner firmly believes was do  
..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Missis-  
sippi river.

Your petitioner is 17 years of age, his postoffice address is Lick Log, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Fambrell Burrall  
Rucci su children

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Angeline Rucci

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and  
belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of July, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me  
as the indentical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of  
credit.

Alfred W. Harris, Jr.

State of Georgia, County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared WM County Joseph Chisler who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 57-1/2 years old and is a citizen of Pickens and Etowah County and that she is personally acquainted with Angelina Rice who is an applicant for citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T., and that the said Angelina Rice is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Wm Southern and Emma Southern of Kimball Russell that Kimball Russell the grandfather of said Angelina Rice has been and is now recognized by his neighbors as being of the Choctaw tribe of Williams the same from the Russell family for 24-1/2 to 30 years and from that they have come and it is clear that they are of Choctaw descent

Affiant further states that she has known the said Angelina Rice for the past 15 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Angelina Rice indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Angelina Rice is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Angelina Rice to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T.

A. W. Powart  
J. H. Phastain  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

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## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mary Brinkley make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Miss. Southern and one  
Granddaughter of Amosett Russell  
of one..... who your petitioner firmly believes was.....

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 21 years of age, his postoffice address is Diamond Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Her father Andrew  
Brinkley born in 1874

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mary Brinkley  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of July 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the indentured person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

M. J. Harrison Notary



State of Georgia, County of Liberty

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. C. Reese who after being duly sworn by me, states that they was 57-40-51 years old, and is a citizen of Georgia and that they is personally acquainted with Mary Bearden who is an applicant for citizenship in the United Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary Bearden is the identical person she represents her self to be in an application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Peter Southern and the granddaughter of F. B. Bearden who has been recognized in the community where he lived as a member of the Cherokee Nation or tribe of Cherokee Indians.

Affiant further states that they has known the said Mary Bearden for the past 15 or 16 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary Bearden indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary Bearden is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary Bearden to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. W. Howard  
A. J. Howard  
1-10-96 day of September 1896,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1-10-96 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Howard

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS R.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned, Ed. Burrell make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That Son is the son of Samuel Burrell and one  
grandson of John who and one Maurice Burrell  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was 4

.....Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived.....Indian blood entitling.....to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Missis-  
sippi river.

Four petitioner is 21 years of age, his postoffice address is Carters, Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Mrs Emeline Burch  
Son Jeff age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully waits its determination.

BY J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of August, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in ..... this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

All Persons Ordining

State of Georgia, County of Edwin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Rice and Joseph Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 51 and 46 years old, and is a citizen of Edwin and Dickens Co Ga and that they are personally acquainted with Ed Burrell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Ed Burrell is the identical person he represents him self to be in this application for such citizenship.

We also was acquainted with Simpson Burrell the father of Ed Burrell. the Simpson Burrell was recognized by his neighbors in the community when he lived as being of the Cherokee Indian tribe. Witness Burrell testifies that she remembers seeing Burrell in Mourning Burrell in the Mourning. Burrell the grandmother of Ed Burrell in that she was recognized as a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

Affiant further states that they has known the said Ed Burrell for the past 15 and 20 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Ed Burrell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Ed Burrell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Ed Burrell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. J. Rice  
Joseph Burrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Will Johnson



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Angeline McArthur make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Simpson Burrall and the Granddaughter of John Burrall & Mounin Burrall who your petitioner firmly believes was that Mounin Burrall whose Married name was Mrs. Riven Brown a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 27 years of age, his postoffice address is Burnet Mountain and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband R. A. McArthur 2 Daughters Lulu age 7 yrs Simpson age 5 yrs - Daughter Berrie age 3 yrs and Rube age 10 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. W. Harris, Jr.  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

W. J. Johnson  
Notary

State of Georgia, County of Sibona

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Rees and Joseph Burrell who after being duly sworn by me, states that they <sup>will file</sup> are 51 years old, and is a citizen of Sibona & Pickens County, Georgia and that they <sup>are</sup> personally acquainted with Angelina McArthur who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Angelina McArthur is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. That she is a daughter of Simpson Burrell who has been recognized in the community where in time as being of the Cherokee Indian Blood or type. Affiant swears that from from the Burrell family for 25 or 30 years and from that they have been considered as having Indian Blood returns Burrell testifies that she also from from Burrell in Morrison Burrell she is well known as grandmother of affiant and that Morrison Burrell was always recognized as a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

Affiant further states that they has known the said Angelina McArthur for the past 25 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Angelina McArthur indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Angelina McArthur is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Angelina McArthur to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. J. Rees  
Joseph Burrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred W. Boring



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mary A. Cowart make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Kimbrell Burrell and  
the daughter of Peter Burrell in Whom Burrell  
of one..... who your petitioner firmly believes was.....

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived..... Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 12.3 years of age, his postoffice address is Quail, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
Daughter James age 21 years. Son John age 18 years.  
Mary age 16. Son Burrell age 13 years.  
Child age 11. Son Burrell age 7 years.  
Burrell age 3 years.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and requests its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Alfred J. Harris, Jr.  
Notary Public



State of Georgia, County of Gibson

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer, in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. T. Reese and Joseph Christman who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 51-35 years old, and is a citizen of Gibson County Georgia and that they are personally acquainted with Mary H. Conant who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary H. Conant is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for such citizenship.

Mary H. Conant is the daughter of Kimball Russell Russell and Granddaughter of Jesse and Mourner Russell. Her father Russell and the Russell family have always lived in the community where they lived as long as the Cherokee Indians.

Affiant further states that they have known the said Mary H. Conant for the past 24 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary H. Conant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary H. Conant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary H. Conant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. T. Reese  
Joseph Christman

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. Johnson Orkney

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1894, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Samuel S. Putnam makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Wm. Southern and  
Granddaughter of President Russell  
of one her who your petitioner firmly believes was an

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Missis-

sippi river.  
Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his postoffice address is Diamond, Ga.

and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: President Russell

Daughter of Wm. Southern - age 7 years  
Daughter of Wm. Southern - age 3 years  
Daughter of Wm. Southern - age 1 year

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Samuel S. Putnam  
By J. W. HANNA, JR., ATTORNEY.

## STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July, 1894, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and of worthy of credit.

Wm. Johnson, Clerk



State of Georgia, County of Sibon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mr. Court & Joseph Chestnut who after being duly sworn by me, states that they was 37 years old, and is a citizen of Dickens and Sibon County and that they are personally acquainted with Sarah & Putterson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Sarah & Putterson is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

We also know from Mr. Walter Dean Southern  
and also was acquainted with Fambell Burrell  
the son of father of said Sarah & Putterson  
and know that the Burrell family have  
always claimed and been recognized by  
their neighbors as members of the  
Cherokee Nation. The same known  
the Burrell family for 24-30 years

Affiant further states that they has known the said Sarah & Putterson for the past 24 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Sarah & Putterson indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Sarah & Putterson is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said S & Putterson to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. M. Cowart  
Joseph Chestnut  
12 day of September 1896,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. Johnson



**End**



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*Nancy Anderson et al*

—VS.—

*Cherokee Nation*

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*P. J. Carter*

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Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. H. Harrison  
Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Nancy Anderson & others under same cover

and

and of the affidavits attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My com. repies  
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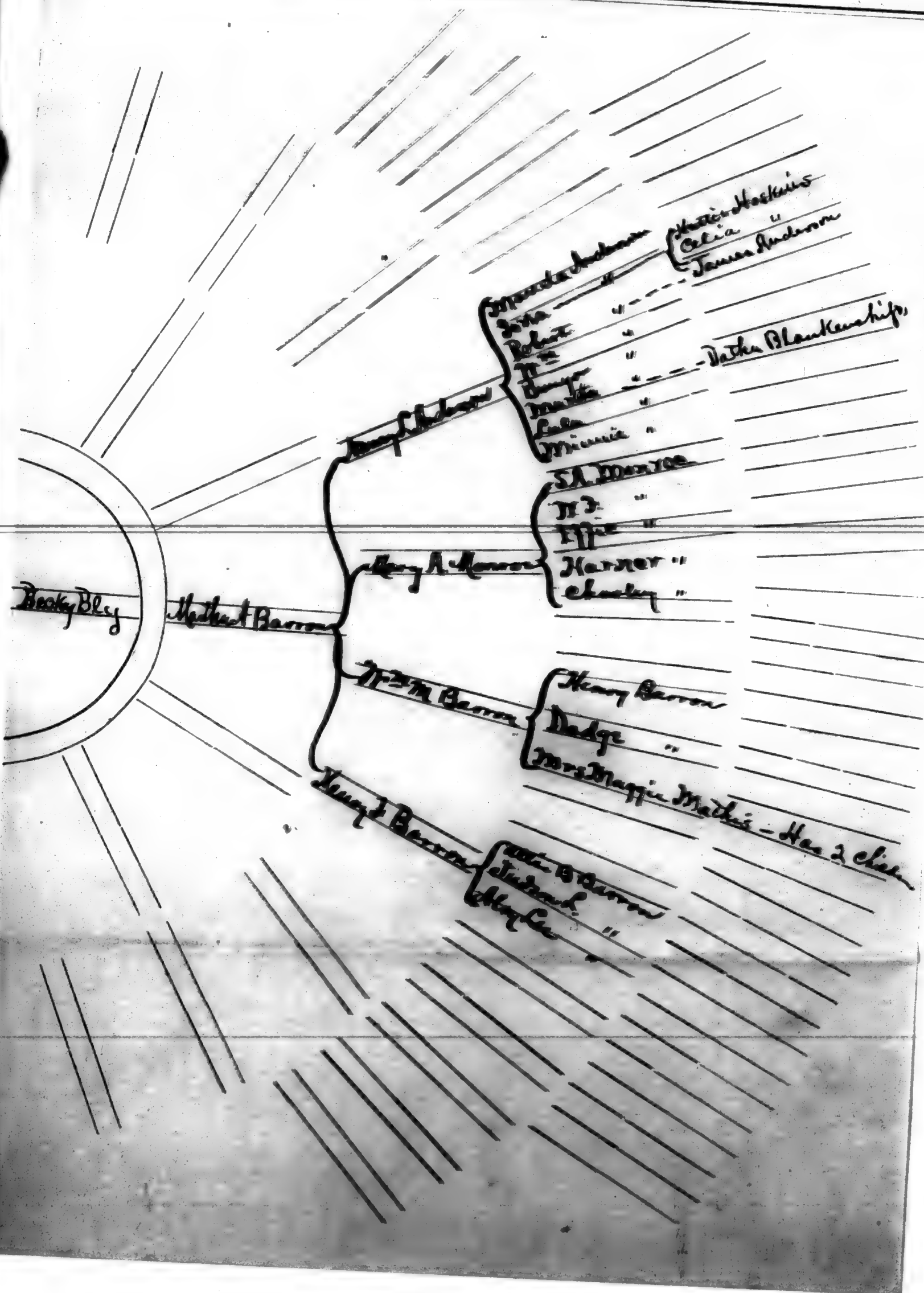
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# CHART

CHART I

Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestable.





# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs. Nancy L. Anderson makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Martha Adaline Trice and the grand daughter of one Bucky Bly and the

of one u who your petitioner firmly believes was Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 53 years of age, his postoffice address is Cedar Bluff Ala and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Mamela Anderson</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Jona</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Robert</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>William</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Bunyon</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Martha</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Lula</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Minnie</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Hattie May Goodins</u>	<u>2 1/2</u>	<u>grand daughter of Jona</u>
<u>Celia Ann</u>	<u>2 1/2</u>	<u>son of Robert</u>
<u>James Bly Anderson</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>daughter of Martha</u>
<u>John Anderson</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>son of Robert</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Nancy L. Anderson

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Alabama, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Mrs. Nancy L. Anderson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in said petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

H. A. Garrison  
Notary Public

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Henry Franklin Barron makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Martin Adalain Walls and the grand son  
of one Becky Bly and the son  
of one a who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 30 years of age, his postoffice address is Cedar Bluff Ala  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Allie Barron Barron</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Judson De Lafayette</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Ally Lee</u>	<u>2 mos</u>	<u>Daughter Son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Henry Franklin Barron

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Alabama COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

H. F. Barron



Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in said petition and is a person of good character and worthy.

H. A. Barron  
Notary Public



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William M. Barron makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Mrs Martha A. Barron whose maiden name was Martha A. Halls - Her mother was Mrs Rebecca Halls, maiden name Rebecca Halls and she is your petitioner firmly believes was a half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Johnathan Halls a white man married a Cherokee girl. They lived in North Carolina. Rebecca (or Deaky) was their daughter & half blood. Joanna Halls another sister married Parker - John A. & Joe Parker (their sons) are now living at Love I. T. are citizens of the Cherokee Nation -

Your petitioner is 50 years of age, his postoffice address is Stilesboro Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Wm M Barron</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>Applicant</u>
<u>Henry Barron</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Mrs Maggie Mathis</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Daughter with 2 children</u>
<u>Dodge Barron</u>	<u>17</u>	
<u>Rebecca J. Barron</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>Applicants wife.</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

William M. Barron

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Wm M Barron

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Arson Collins  
Notary



APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable National Council of Dawson Nation, Ind. Ter.

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, your petitioner, this day makes this his Application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory, in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of said Nation, and respectfully makes the following statement of the grounds of this his Application, to wit:

That she is the Daughter of Marion Williams who the undersigned fully believes was an Indian belonging to said tribe. Becky Bly (before Marage William Williams Cherokee) grat Marion Williams was named Anna Bly who was his blood.

The undersigned hereby presents the above facts as the lawful grounds for this his Application for his Claim Citizenship by blood, and respectfully waits the time when his Application shall be truly heard and tried. Respectfully submitted.

Age 41 years; Postoffice Dawsonville Dawson County Ga

Family, with their relationship attached is as follows:

NO.	NAME.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
	<u>Mary A. Monroe</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>Mother head of family</u>
	<u>S. A. Monroe</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Son</u>
	<u>W. F. Monroe</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>Son</u>
	<u>Effie Monroe</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
	<u>Harner Monroe</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Son</u>
	<u>Charles Monroe</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>Son</u>

In witness of which Application, I hereunto set my hand, on this, the 2 day of Sept 1896

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Sept 1896

J. J. DAVIS, Attorney.

Balcan Harden Probate  
Judge Dawson County

State of Georgia, County of Dawson

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James Joseph Barron who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is

years old, and is a citizen of Smith State & County

and that he is personally acquainted with H. H. Barron & M. L. Anderson

who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical persons they represents themselves to be in this application for such citizenship.

They are children of the same parents - Their mother before her marriage to their father was named Martha Adaline Halls and her mother before her marriage was named Becky Bly - Becky Bly was part Indian of the Cherokee tribe and her mother was Anne Bly and her grand  
was I do not know

They are known to be citizens or members of the Cherokee tribe -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants from birth for the past thirty years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James J. Barron  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Baldwin Harbor Probate  
Judge Dawson  
Daughter  
W. A.

State of Georgia, County of Barlow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared William M. Parker who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 50 years old, and is a citizen of this County and that he is personally acquainted with H. F. Barron & Mrs. Nancy L. Anderson who <sup>are</sup> ~~is an~~ applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that ~~the said~~ they are is the identical person <sup>s</sup> represented self to be in their applications for such citizenship.

I am their brother. I was born in Dawson Co Ga. My mother & father was the same as theirs. to wit; James & Martha S. Barron. Our father is yet alive at Dawsonville Ga. I knew my mother mother Mrs Rebecca Walls. She died in Rabun Co about 34 or 35 years ago. She showed to be a half blood. I knew from the family talk that she was Rebecca Bly before her marriage being the daughter of Johnathan Bly by a full blood Cherokee woman. She never denied being part indian. I learned from family talk when I was a boy that Rebecca Bly had a sister named Joanna Bly who married a Parker & John A. Parker and Joseph Parker are now resident citizens of the Cherokee Nation at or near Grove post office I. T.

H. F. Barron has 3 children. Nancy L. Anderson has 3 children & 4 grand children. Sister Mary Monroe has 5 children.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Parties Applicant for the past 50 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. except that they are my sister & brother & I myself are an applicant.

W. M. Barron

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Aaron Collins  
Notary Public



State of Alabama, County of Cherokee

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared A. M. Elders who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 30 years old, and is a citizen of Smith State & County and that he is personally acquainted with Nancy S. Anderson Henry F. Barron who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical persons they represents them self to be in this application for such citizenship. They are brothers and sister and the children of Mrs Barron whose maiden name was Martha Adeline Hall - Their maternal grand mother before marriage was Becky Bly - She was a Cherokee Indian by blood - Mrs Anderson has 8 children + 4 grand children Henry Barron has 3 children -

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants for the past many years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. M. Elders  
A. J. Brice

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 2nd day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

H. A. Parler  
Notary Public

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Nation's No.

4871

Commission's No.

In Application of

Ja. Sisson

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Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....  
*John Sisson*  
.....  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No.....  
Commission's No.....

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

*Lucy Sisson*  
..... through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *William M. Mayes* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
*William M. Mayes* Attorneys.  
John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Sept* 1896.

*J. S. Dampert*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Belmont & Toney Co. Co.

No. 4928314

Court.

Term, 189

*James Sisson et al*

vs.

*The Cherokee Nation*

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Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, Jr.  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. H. Harris, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of James Sisson & others under  
the same com  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of which are attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

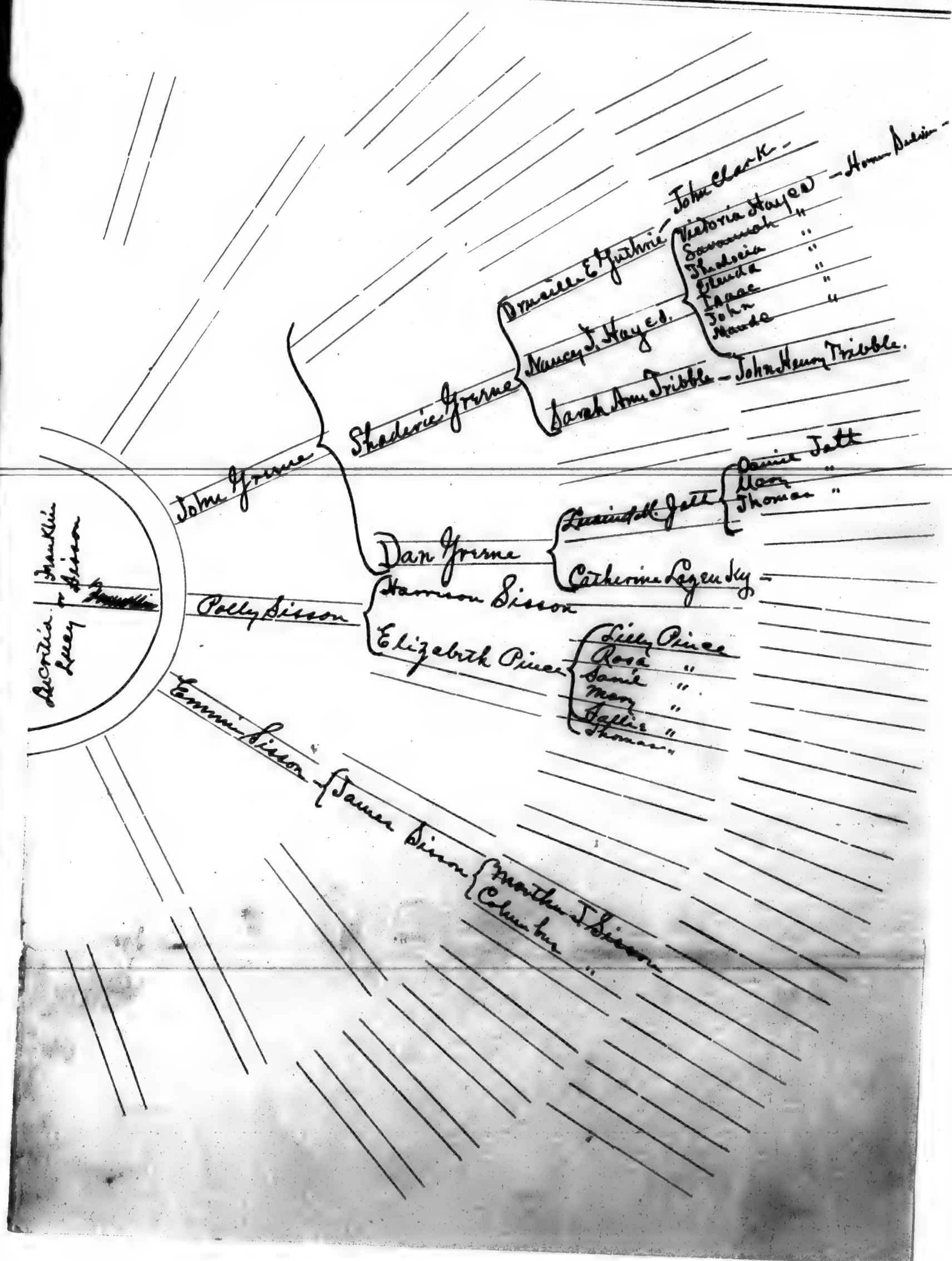
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J. H. Harris  
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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, James Sisson make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of James Sisson and the Grandson of John Sisson, whose Mother was Mrs. Lucy Franklin who your petitioner firmly believes was an

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 32 years of age, his postoffice address is July Creek, Ga. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife, Mrs. Sisson Daughter, Martha J. - age 12 years Columbus age 6 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

James Sisson  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

### STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of July 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

William H. Harris Notary



State of Georgia, County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Morland and J. S. Sisson who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they are 41-41 years old, and is a citizen of Etowah county

and that they is personally acquainted with James Sisson

Sisson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said James Sisson is the identical

person he represents he self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he is the son of E. S. Sisson  
and Grandson of J. S. Sisson who was  
Recognized as a member of the Cherokee  
tribe of Georgia.

Affiant further states that they has known the said James Sisson  
for the past 15-17 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said James Sisson indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said James Sisson is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said James Sisson  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Morland  
J. S. Sisson  
with

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1- day of Sept 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

A. M. Johnson  
Notary Public

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of

Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned *Albert A. Price for his wife and children* make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That *she* is the *Daughter of Polly Sisson and the*  
*Granddaughter of Lucy Sisson who's name*  
*Mrs. Lucy Sisson* who your petitioner firmly believes was *11*

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived *her* Indian blood entitling *her* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is *42* years of age, his postoffice address is *Cominsville*  
and *his* family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: *Marlene B. A. Price*  
*Daughter Lilly - 1892 14 years* *Robert 1892 15 years*  
*Son Samuel 1892 14 years* *Daughter Henry 1892*  
*12 years* *Sister 1892 8 years* *Son Thomas*  
*1892 7 years* *the name of applicant's wife*  
*is Elizabeth Price*

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully asks its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

## STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *8th* day of *July*, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in *his* petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

*Wm. Johnson Bellamy*



State of Georgia, County of Etowah

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Moreland and J. H. Sisson who after being duly sworn by me, states that they were 41 <sup>and 42</sup> years old, and is a citizen of Etowah County Georgia and that they were personally acquainted with Elizabeth Dyer who is an applicant for citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T., and that the said Elizabeth Dyer is the identical person she represents self to be in the application for such citizenship.

And that Elizabeth Dyer wife of L. H. Dyer whose mother was Mrs. Elizabeth Moreland and second daughter of Jacob Sisson the Lucy Sisson Mrs. Ridgeway as a Cherokee of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. We have known the family for 50 years or more and know that they were considered as having Cherokee Indian blood and always claimed it. Same

Affiant further states that they have known the said Elizabeth Dyer for the past 40 <sup>or 50</sup> years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Elizabeth Dyer indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Elizabeth Dyer is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. Dyer to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T.

J. M. Moreland  
J. H. Sisson  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alvin Johnson Attorney



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B.

CABANISS and ALEXANDER B ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Nathan Siler make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That *he* is the *Son of* *Polly Rogers* *and* *the* *son* *of* *one*  
*Grandson of* *Lady Rogers* *whose* *own* *life* *he*  
*Marriage* *with* *one* *John* *who* *your* *petitioner* *firmly* *believes* *was* *one*

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived *his* Indian blood entitling *him* to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is... 41 ... years of age, his postoffice address is... Cornudasugar, Ga  
and... his... family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife, Mary, 31 years  
in... Sarah, 25 years, whose father was  
Richard, 25 years, who is now in the  
Cherokee nation near Evansville and Mrs.  
Mary, 25 years, of the same place, with  
only four children, is also in the nation  
and Mrs. Mary, 25 years, of the same place.

**Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.**

BY J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of June, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in ..... petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

Will Johnson, Esq.

State of Georgia, County of Elbert

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. M. Moreland who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 41 years old, and is a citizen of Elbert County and that he is personally acquainted with Harrison Sisson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Harrison Sisson is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That I have always understood that Harrison Sisson was the son of Polly Moreland (Moreland) wife of Samuel Moreland  
and that I have seen it said that Polly Moreland was of the Cherokee tribe of Indians

Affiant further states that he has known the said Harrison Sisson for the past 50 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Harrison Sisson indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Harrison Sisson is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Harrison Sisson to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Moreland

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

A. M. Johnson



State of Georgia, County of Liberty

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James J. Garrett who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 75 years old, and is a citizen of Liberty County Georgia and that he is ~~personally~~ acquainted with Harrison Sisson who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Harrison Sisson is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he is a son of Polly Sisson who  
after he was born married A. J. Woodland  
is now known as Polly Woodland and that  
Polly Sisson or Polly Woodland was the  
daughter of Lucy Sisson the daughter of  
the daughter of Holly Franklin who was  
recognized in the community where she lived  
as living of the Cherokee tribe of Indians  
I know the Franklin family in Brunswick  
County North Carolina some 50 years  
ago that he school with Polly Sisson when  
he was young

Affiant further states that he has known the said Harrison Sisson for the past 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Harrison Sisson indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Harrison Sisson is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Harrison Sisson to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James J. Garrett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of September 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

W. H. Johnson Acting



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Nancy Jane Hays makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of Shaderic Green of one John Green and the Grand daughter of one Lucretia Franklin and the Great grand daughter of one full who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 48 years of age, his postoffice address is X Odell Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Victoria</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Savannah</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Theodocia</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Elenora</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Isaac</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>John</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Alexander</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Horner Sullivan</u>		<u>Grand Son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Nancy Jane Hays  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Chilton

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 2d, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Henry L. Dawkins, Ordinary

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Forsyth } ss.

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared William Phillips who, after being by me duly sworn, states that he is 67 years of age, and is a citizen of Forsyth County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Nancy Jane Hays Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Nancy Hays is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that he has known the said Nancy Jane Hays for the past 46 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Nancy Jane Hays indicate that the said Nancy Jane Hays is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Nancy Jane Hays Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Nancy Jane Hays is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Nancy Jane Hays to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
William Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of September A. D., 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William Phillips  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
Henry L. Hawkins Notary Public.

My Commission Expires on the 1st day of January 1897

JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law.  
J. W. Harris

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Forsyth }

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Martin Phillips who, after being by me duly sworn, states that he is 76 years of age, and is a citizen of Abilene County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Nancy Jane Hays Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Mrs Hays is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that he has known the said Nancy Jane Hays for the past 2 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Nancy Jane Hays indicate that the said Nancy Jane Hays is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Nancy Jane Hays Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Nancy Jane Hays is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Nancy Jane Hays to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
Martin P. Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2d day of September A. D. 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Martin Phillips  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
Henry L. Hawkins Notary Public

My Commission Expires on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1896  
JOSEPH R. BYERS, Attorney at Law.  
J. W. Harris



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sarah Ann Tribble makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Shadric Green of one  
of one John Green and the grand daughter of  
of one Zucetia Franklin and the great grand daughter  
full blood who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 64 years of age, his postoffice address is Cumming Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>John Henry</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>Son of applicant</u>
<u>Thomas G. Tribble</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>Husband of applicant</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Sarah Ann Tribble  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of August, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in above petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

R. C. Daniel, J. P.

State of Georgia } J. Henry L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
Forsyth County } within and for said County and  
do hereby certify that  
R. C. McDaniel is a Justice of the Peace of  
said County, duly elected, commissioned and  
qualified, and that he has authority to administer  
oaths for general purposes, that his commission  
was dated January 30th 1893 and will expire  
January 30th 1897 and that his signature  
within written is genuine.  
Given under my hand and seal  
of office. Sept. 2d 1896.  
Henry L. Hawkins, Ordinary

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

I, John B. Davis, of the County of Forsyth, State of Georgia, do hereby certify that

R. C. McDaniel is a Justice of the Peace of said County, duly elected, commissioned and qualified, and that he has authority to administer oaths for general purposes, that his commission was dated January 30th 1893 and will expire January 30th 1897 and that his signature within written is genuine.

Given under my hand and seal of office. Sept. 2d 1896.

Henry L. Hawkins, Ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Forsyth

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Annanda C. Daniel & Louanna Red who after being duly sworn by me, states that She 72 and 1-4 years old, and is a citizen of Forsyth County State of Georgia and that She is personally acquainted with Sarah Ann Tribble who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Sarah Ann Tribble is the identical person She represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Annanda C. Daniel states that She has known Sarah Ann Tribble formerly Sahagahoon Green all her life and the family since She was a small child and that the Green family have always claimed to have Indian blood. She Louanna Red says that She has known Sarah Ann Tribble 4 years.

Affiant further states that She has known the said Sarah Ann Tribble for the past 4 years and knows that She has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Sarah Ann Tribble indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Sarah Ann Tribble is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that She has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Sarah Ann Tribble to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Annanda C. Daniel  
Louanna Red

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1st day of Sept 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.



State of Georgia } J. Henry L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
Forsyth County } within and for said County do  
hereby certify that R. C. McDaniel  
is a Justice of the Peace of said County, duly  
elected, commissioned and qualified, and that  
he has authority to administer oaths for general  
purposes, that his commission was dated January  
30<sup>th</sup> 1893 and will expire January 30<sup>th</sup> 1897,  
and that his signature within written is genuine.

Given under my hand and seal  
of office September 2<sup>d</sup> 1896.

Henry L. Hawkins  
Ordinary

person represents and to be in application for such citizenship.  
Nation, I, T. and that the said is the identical  
who is an applicant for citizenship in the  
and that is personally acquainted with  
states that years old, and is a citizen of  
before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally ap-

State of County of

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Drucella E. Guthrie  
William H. Green makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That she is the daughter of Shaderic Green of one  
and grand daughter of John Green  
of one and great grand daughter of Loretta Franklin  
of one a full who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 57 years of age, his postoffice address is Drew  
Settlement Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Four children one  
boy one girl, Luther 13. Ella Green age 20 yrs

John Clark age 25-  
My husband name was James F. Guthrie  
who died in 1890.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Drucella E. Guthrie William H. Green  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 2, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Henry L. Perkins, ordinary



APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabanis and Alexander B. Armstrong, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Lucinda Matilda Jett makes this application for admittance in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, viz:

That she is the Daughter of one Daniel Green and the grand daughter of one John Green and the great grand daughter of one Lucretia Franklin who your petitioner firmly believes was a full Cherokee Indian by blood, and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the Census roll on the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 49 years of age, her post-office address is, Liverpool, and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, is as follows: Daniel 25 age 25, Mary age 22, Thomas age 20 Husband is deceased James Monroe Jett who died in 1871

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Lucinda M. Jett

By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Lucinda M. Jett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of Sept, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented to me in the petition, and is a person of good character, and worthy of credit.

Henry L. Harris  
Ordinary



# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Forsyth }

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Catherine Lathenberry who, after being by me duly sworn, states that she is 67 years of age, and is a citizen of Forsyth County and State of Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with Lucinda M Jett Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Jett is the identical person she represents her self to be in application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that she has known the said Mrs Jett for the past 25 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs Jett indicate that the said Jett is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Mrs Jett Affiant states she has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs Jett is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that she has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs. Jett to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
William Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Sept A. D. 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William Phillips  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
Henry L. Henderson Notary Public.

My Commission Expires on the 1st day of January 1897,  
JOSEPH H. BYERS, Attorney at Law.  
J W Harris

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennon, Thomas B. Cabanis and Alexander B. Armstrong, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1898, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Catherine Lathenberry makes this application for admittance in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, viz:

That she is the daughter of one Daniel Green and the grand daughter of one John Green and the great grand daughter of one Lacretia Franklin who your petitioner firmly believes was a full Cherokee Indian by blood, and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the Census roll on the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 53 years of age, her post-office address is, Liverpool, and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, is as follows: No children  
Thomas Washington Lathenberry who  
died in 1890.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Catherine Lathenberry  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of August 1898, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented to me in the petition, and is a person of good character, and worthy of credit.

Henry L. Hawkins  
Ordinary

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Perk } ss.

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Martin Phillips who, after being by me duly sworn, states that he is 76 years of age, and is a citizen of Georgia County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Catherine Lathenberry Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affirm further states that the said Lathenberry is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that he has known the said Lathenberry for the past 40 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by the neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Lathenberry indicate that the said Lathenberry is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Lathenberry Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Lathenberry is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of her of the said Lathenberry to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
Martin Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Sept 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Martin Phillips  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
Henry L. Henderson  
My Commission Expires on the 1st day of January 1897

JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law.



State of Georgia, County of Forsyth

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared William J. Daff Phillips who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 68 years old, and is a citizen of Forsyth County Ga and that he is personally acquainted with William J. Daff Phillips who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said William J. Daff Phillips is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Gracella E. Guthrie for the past 46 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Gracella E. Guthrie indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Gracella E. Guthrie is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Gracella E. Guthrie to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22nd day of September, 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

H. L. Hearnings Ordinary

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Franklin } ss.

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared William Phillips, who, after being by me duly sworn, states that he is 788 years of age, and is a citizen of Udellton C. County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Catherine Lathenberry Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Lathenberry is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that he has known the said Lathenberry for the past        years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Lathenberry indicate that the said Lathenberry is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Lathenberry Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Lathenberry is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Lathenberry to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
William Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of September A. D., 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William Phillips  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
H. L. Hawkins, indy Notary Public.  
My Commission Expires on the 1st day of January 1896.  
JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Hardy }

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Martin Phillips who, after being by me duly sworn, states that he is 76 years of age, and is a citizen of Madison County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Lucinda Abatilda Jett Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Mrs Jett is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mrs. Jett for the past 40 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs. Jett indicate that the said Mrs Jett is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to one by the said Mrs. Jett Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs. Jett is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Lucinda Abatilda Jett to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Martin Phillips

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Sept A. D., 1896 and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Martin Phillips and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity

My Commission Expires on the day of January 1896  
H. L. Hawkins Ordinary Notary Public.

JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law.

J. W. Harris



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**J. W. HARRIS, JR.,**  
**CARTERSVILLE, GA.**

**Attorney for**



United States of America,  
Indian Territory.  
Northern District.

I, J. M. Harris, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of H. H. Williams and others the under  
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and of the affidavits of H. H. Williams attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this

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S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah  
Cherokee Nation

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

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William Williams

Chairman Mathews. ★  
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THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William W. Williams makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Son of one John A. Williams and the Daughter  
of one William Williams and the Daughter  
of one Thomas & Anna Williams that the maiden name  
of my mother was Amy Davis who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 53 years of age, his post office address is Quincy, Ark  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife, Sarah  
D- Daughter Lucie A age 19 years Son John  
B age 17 years - Joseph age 16 years Mother  
age 14 years Albert age 12 years Mary  
J age 7 years Robert A age 4 years  
that she claims to be of Cherokee Indian  
blood from her great grandmother Amy  
Williams whose maiden name was Amy Davis  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

W W Williams

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Arkansas, COUNTY OF Sevier

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

W W Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Ally Johnson  
Notary



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned Joseph Deane makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Emeline Sanders and the grand daughter of one John H. Sanders and the great grand daughter of one James Elizabeth Sanders John Elizabeth Williams who your petitioner firmly believes was a free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, her postoffice address is Isabelle Gunn,  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. = Nola age 7 2. Addie age 12 3. Gertrude age 3  
My grand father was a citizen of Marion Co., N.C., at the time the Indians were carried away. He was born in the year 1817. died in Winston, Co. Ala., in the year 1881. My Husbands name is G. F. Dean age 24 years. <sup>Elizabeth Sanders and Eliza Beth.</sup> His Sanders reference is based on the claims of

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Jasiri Dean

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Losie Dean

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

N. B. Graham  
County Ct. Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned D. E. Berry makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one John W. Sanders and the grand daughter  
of one James Elizabeth Sanders and the great grand daughter  
of one Cherokee Indian who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 41 years of age, his postoffice address is Morganton, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

J. B. Sanders age 21.  
My father was a citizen of Macon Co.,  
North Carolina, at the time Indians were  
carried away. He was born in the year  
1812 - died in Winston, Co. Ala. in the year  
1881.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

D. E. Berry

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Tannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

D. E. Berry

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

L. H. Leutenant, Ordinary  
Fairview, Ga.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Stacy A. Sanders makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one John W. Sanders and the grand daughter  
of one James Sanders and the great grand daughter  
of one Elizabeth Williams who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 31 years of age, her postoffice address is Morganton Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Alice Sanders age 34: the wife of J. W. Rose.  
She has 4 children. 2. Florence age 21: 3. Ida  
age 18: 4. David age 16: 5. John age 14.  
My father was a citizen of Marion Co. Ala. and he was killed at the time the  
Indians were driven away. He was killed in the year  
1812. died in Winston, Co. Ala. in the year 1881.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

S. A. Sanders  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Fannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

S. A. Sanders

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

L. H. Leutcher, Notary  
Fannin County, Ga.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned N. R. Hensley makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one John H. Sanders and the grand daughter  
of one James Elizabeth Sanders and the great grand daughter  
of one Elizabeth Williams who your petitioner firmly believes was  
pure Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 34 years of age, his postoffice address is Morganton, Ga.  
and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

My father was a citizen of Macon,  
Co. N. Carolina. At the time the Indians  
were carried away. He was born  
in the year 1812, died in Winston Co.,  
Ala., in the year 1891.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

N. R. Hensley

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Tannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

N. R. Hensley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. G. Outley, Notary.  
Fannin Co. Ga.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Elizabeth Sanders makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one John M. Sanders and the grand daughter  
of one John Elizabeth Sanders and the great grand daughter  
of one Phonias Pittman who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 54 years of age, his postoffice address is Morgantown Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Ellen age 20.
2. B. C. Sanders age 13.
3. Uris Sanders age 1. Children of Ellen Sanders.
4. Nebraska age 13. — My father was  
a Citizen of Macon, Co. Ga., at the time the  
Indians were carried away. He was born in the  
year 1812, died in Winston, Co. Ga. in the year 1881.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elizabeth Sanders  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Tanniw

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Elizabeth Sanders

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

L. G. Leitch, Ordinary  
Tanniw Co. Ga.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Elzira Mathews makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That, she is the daughter of one William Williams and the grand daughter  
of one Thomas Williams and the great  
of one John who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 15 years of age, his postoffice address is Half Creek, N.C.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
Matilda age 53. James age 57. Pinkney  
age 50. Columbus age 38. William age 40  
Five children.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Elzira Mathews  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF North Carolina, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Elzira Mathews

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

X J. W. Harris, Jr.



State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

I D. L. Watts Clerk of the superior Court  
in and for the County of Cherokee and  
State of North Carolina, do hereby  
Certify that Joel Simmonds and  
A. J. Bell are acting Justices of the  
peace in and for the County and State  
aforesaid, duly Commissioned and Sworn  
and that all their official acts as such are  
entitled to full faith and credit.

Witness my hand and official seal  
This August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896

D. L. Watts Clerk Sup. Court  
By D. W. Danner Dep. Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Matilda Garren makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one David Bell and the grand daughter  
of one Robert Bell and the great grand daughter  
of one Amey Williams Full who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 53 years of age, his postoffice address is Welford NC.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. William Garren age 29. Dora age 6. Mattie age 5.  
Arthur age 4. Edith age 1. Sheldy of William. Rosie  
age 23. Newton Garren husband of Edith.  
age 58. Ellen. Wife William age 27.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Matilda X Garren  
W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF North Carolina, COUNTY OF Cherokee.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Matilda X Garren  
W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

X A. G. Bell

J.P.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Columbus A. Bell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one David Bell and the grand son  
of one Robert Bell and the great grand son  
of one Amy Williams who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is Isabella, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Morgan (wife) age 30. 2. Adolphus age 14. 3.  
Ottob age 12. 4. Gale age 10. 5. Flora age 8. 6.  
Clifford age 6. 7. Mattie age 4. 8. Bessie age 1 year

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

C. A. Bell  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Putnam

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

A. B. Graham Clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Pindney M. Bell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one David Bell and the Grandson  
of one Robert Bell and the great grandson  
of one Ang Williams who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 50 years of age, his postoffice address is Seabees, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Jarvis age 27. (2 Walter son of Jarvis age 5.
3. Nora age 4. Florence age 2. 5 Martha Bell, wife of Jarvis)
6. Josephine Bell age 23. 7. John Bell age 21. 8. Georgia, wife
- of John. 9. Elmina (Bell) 10. Surge. age 18. 11. Clifford age 2.
11. May age 1. 12. David Bell age 17. 13. Allison age 16. 14. Virgil Bell
15. age 14. 16. Addie age 11. 17. Horace age 9. 18. Elizabeth age 48. wife of W.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Pindney M. Bell

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Pindney M. Bell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. Abraham  
clerk.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. H. Bell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Algie Matthews and the grandson  
of one Sam Williams and the son  
of one Quanta who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 60 years of age, his postoffice address is Half Creek, et. c.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Mary Bell, wife, age 35, Ida, age 16, Minnie  
age 6, Marcus, age 4, Lawrence, age 1 yr  
Mary, aged 30, Mary's wife Lillie age 22, Sarah  
daughter of Mary, age 5, Millie, son of Mary age  
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Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

James H. Bell  
J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Arkansas, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Graham  
Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned O. L. Lawrence makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That his wife is the daughter of Jas. W. Bell, who is the son  
of Alfred Matthews and the daughter of one  
Asbury Williams and the granddaughter  
of one Samuel who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
Samuel Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner wife derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his postoffice address is Lawrence, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Florence M. Lawrence, wife, age 16, born 6.  
Apr. 2, 1880, age 8 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

O. L. Lawrence

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

O. L. Lawrence

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 21, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. J. Graham  
clerk



State of Tennessee, County of Polk

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Margaret Hayatt who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 79 years old, and is a citizen of Hot Wells, Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with Pink Bell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Pinkney Bell is the identical person himself represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Said Pinkney Bell is a son of Alfred Matthews, who was married a second time to Annie Bell. Alfred Matthews married with whom I was personally acquainted Mrs. Amy Williams. The said Amy Williams was also the ancestor of Annie Sanders. The complexion and type of the said Amy Williams indicated that she was of Indian blood. Though it had been fifty years since I saw Annie Williams, I think as my recollection serves me that her neighbors recognized her as being of Indian blood.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Pinkney Bell for the past 25 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Pinkney Bell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Pinkney is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Pinkney Bell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness

Margaret Hayatt  
Affiant

E. M. Vaughn

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

N. B. Graham  
Co. Clerk

State of Georgia, County of Tannin

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James Withrow who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 71 years old, and is a citizen of Morganton, Tannin Co. Ga., and that he is personally acquainted with Stacy, Elizabeth (DR. Henry) Emeline Sanders who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Stacy, Elizabeth Sanders is the identical person they represents them self to be in their application for such citizenship. Was acquainted with John N. Sanders father Stacy Sanders. DR. Henry Sanders D.C. Berry. and grand father of Josie Dean, & knows them personally to be the heirs of John C. Sanders. decd

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants from their birth years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Cherokee to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

James Withrow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James V. Smith

**End**





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Nation's No. 4875

Commission's No. 316

In re Application of

Charles H. Jackson

Demurrer and Answer.

OCT 21,  
1884  
NEW YORK-  
N.Y.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.

In the matter of application of  
*Charles J. Gordon*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

through whom the petitioner claims to derive Cherokee right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By W. H. Mayes, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
John A. Fair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 13 day of Oct, 1896.

**NOTARY PUBLIC.**



No. 29203/6

Court.

Term, 189

Williams, Calhoun et al

—vs.—  
The Cherokee Nation

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Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. W. Harris, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Williams, Calhoun et al

Under same Comr

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of thurs attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March 6-1899

J. W. Harris

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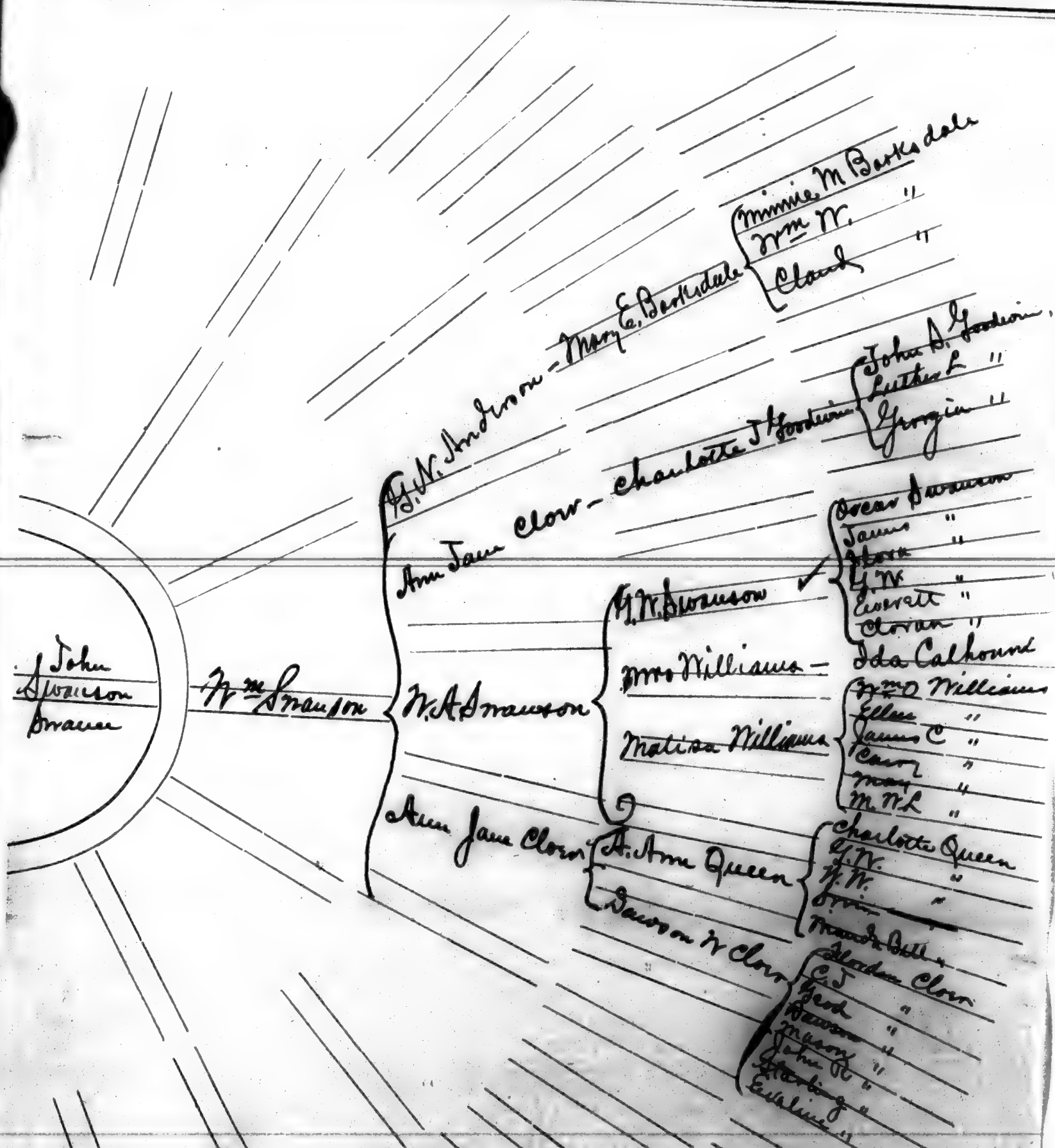
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S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.

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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Malisa Williams makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one William Swanson and the great daughter of  
of one William Swanson and the great grand daughter  
of one John Swanson (Swann) who your petitioner firmly believes was  
half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 41 years of age, his post office address is Washers Creek Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Sam O Son age  
16 yrs, Ellen daughter age 18 yrs, Jan 6,  
Sam age 11 yrs, Emily daughter age 8 yrs,  
May daughter age 6 yrs, M. H. Son  
age 4 yrs.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Malisa Williams  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Wm

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Malisa Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Coby, Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Idea Colborn makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Mr. William of one  
who the daughter of and the M. A. Swanson  
of one who the son of and the of Mr. Man Billy  
Swanson who is son of John Swanson who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Swanson's grandson Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 18 years of age, his post office address is St. Mesquite  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Idea Colborn

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ka, COUNTY OF Winn

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Idea Colborn

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Woby, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned G. W. Swanson makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of M. A. Swanson of one  
Wm. The son of old and the M. man Billy Swanson  
of one the son of old and the man John Drown  
of one (alias John Swanson) who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a Cherokee Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 46 years of age, his post office address is Lt. Mountain,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Oscar son  
age 19 years James son age 18 years  
Flora daughter age 14 G. W. son  
age 12 years Everett son age 4 years  
Clorah son age 2 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

G. W. Swanson  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ku, COUNTY OF Winn

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

G. W. Swanson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Coby, Ordinary



Gu. Henry, Canning

Personally appeared before me  
Daniel Leonard <sup>my brother & witness</sup> who on oath says  
that he is 61 years old & that he has  
known the Swanson family all his  
life, and knows that the applicants  
are the posterity of old man John  
Swanson who was recognized as  
Cherokee Indian blood, also  
man John Swanson was  
treated as a half breed  
Cherokee Indian. The applicants  
are the great-grand children of  
the said John Swanson.  
Applicant have known the applicants  
for the last fifty or sixty years  
& they have been recognized  
and treated by the neighbors and  
acquaintances as of Cherokee Indian  
blood. That the complexion and  
physical appearance of applicants  
made them Indian type through  
the facts & an ancient affidavit  
testifies they are of genuine Indian  
blood. Applicant has no interest  
what in the claims above  
sworn to & subscribed before me

W. Aug 22/84 Daniel Leonard  
J. J. Coby, Ordinary Mary <sup>my sister</sup>

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS R. CARANISS and ALEXANDER R. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorised by an act of Congress of June 4, 1906, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Johnson H. Cloer makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit: Applicant's great-grand father's name  
That he is the great grand son of a half breed Cherokee  
Old Mary Swann (and son) and the grand son  
of one William Swann and the son of Angene Cloer  
who, was a double of Indian son  
of one half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 27 years of age, his post office address is The Mountain  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Edwin H.  
Cloer, age 18 yrs. C. J. Cloer, daughter  
age 16 yrs. Rose Cloer, age 14 yrs  
George A. Cloer, age 10 yrs, James  
C. Cloer, age 8 yrs, John R. Cloer  
age 6 yrs, Sterling P. Cloer, age  
3 yrs. Evaline Cloer, age 6 mos

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. W. Harris, Jr.

By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Ma, COUNTY OF mu

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J. W. Harris, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 14 1906, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Roby, Ordinary

S. W. Claes  
& Maliso Williams  
& Lda. Colhoun

Mr. J. W. Claes  
Mr. Maliso Williams  
Mr. Lda. Colhoun

Mr. J. W. Claes  
Mr. Maliso Williams  
Mr. Lda. Colhoun



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Aray Anna Queen makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit: My great grand mother of father was half breed Cherokee  
That she is the The daughter of George H. Cloven & Anne Jane of one  
Cloven, wife of E. W. Cloven who was a daughter William  
Swenson who was a son of old man Swenson whom  
by the name of Swenson, and the father of the  
of one of the Swenson or Swanson  
a half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 30 years of age, his post office address is H. M. Mendenhall, Jr.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Aray Anna Queen  
daughter age 8 yrs. George W. & M. J.  
Queen. Twin sons. 6 yrs old. Aray & de  
Queen age 3 yrs - Maudie Belle Queen  
age 2 yrs.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Aray Anna Queen  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Ok, COUNTY OF Marshall

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Cobey Ordinary

Ary Ann Lawrence  
L. W. Selzer  
Malisa Williams  
Ida Holborn

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Chas. J. Goodwin makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Ben Bloss & Ang Bloss and the daughter of  
of one William Swanson and the son of  
of one John Swanson (or Swame) who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a half breed Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 25 years of age, his post office address is Cisco, Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: John O. Swen  
age 19 yrs. Luke & son age 5 yrs. George  
Bonglin age 3 yrs.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

C. J. Goodwin

By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

C. J. Goodwin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Coby Ordinary



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various parties

Application for citizenship  
To the Honorable, Henry L. Dower, James  
C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKinnon,  
Thomas B. Coburn & Alexander B.  
Boushany U.S. Commissioners of the  
land by an act of congress of  
the 4th 1894 to hear and determine  
claims for citizenship in the  
Cherokee. The undersigned  
Mary E. Boudroale makes  
this application for admission  
to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation in the Indian Territory  
as a Cherokee Indian by blood  
in accordance with the act  
of Congress and the laws  
of the Cherokee nation and  
respectfully submits the following  
facts as the ground of her claim  
to wit:  
That she is the daughter of  
H. W. Swanson. And the grand  
daughter of William Swanson and  
the great grand daughter of one  
John Swanson (alias John Swome)  
Petitioner's family believes was  
a half breed Cherokee Indian  
by blood and duly acknowledge  
member of the Cherokee Nation.

of Indians and from wh. petition  
demands his Indian blood entitling  
him to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation that the name of David  
Auden should be found on  
the census taken on the Cherokee  
East of the Mississippi River

Your petitioner is 21 years old  
her last office St. Mountain Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee  
Indian blood is as follows.

Her great-grand father John Swanson  
(or John Swanne) Her daughter Miss  
M. Boswell age 6 yrs. William W. Son  
age 3 yrs. Claud-son age one month  
old. Your petitioner herewith submits  
the proofs of his application and  
respectfully awaits its decision.

Mary Parkdale

State of Georgia County

You do swear that the facts set forth  
in the above petition are true to the  
best of your knowledge and belief &  
help you God.

Sworn to & subscribed in Mary Parkdale

This August-22/84 and I hereby certify that  
the petition is shown to me by the individual  
person represented in her petition and is a person  
of good Character worthy of credit

J. J. Coby, Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned C. J. Money makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Daniel F. Money and the grandson  
of one John R. Money and the great grandson  
of one Sawnee who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 65 years of age, his post office address is Calhoun Gordon County, Ga.

and he family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

My Great Grandfather's name Sawnee.  
" Grand " John R. Money  
" Father name is Daniel F. Money

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

C. J. Money  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gordon

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. W. Harris  
Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Enders

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared George W. McLaugh who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 60 years old, and is a citizen of Enders Co. Ga. and that he is personally acquainted with G. S. Many who is an applicant for citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T., and that the said G. S. Many is the identical person he represents himself to be in said application for such citizenship.

Affiant further states that he has known the said G. S. Many for the past 50 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said G. S. Many indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said G. S. Many is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said G. S. Many to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation, I. T.

George W. McLaugh  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

T. W. Hearshin  
Ordinary.

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Swane  
Swanson

State of Missouri, County of Monroe

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. C. Wright who after being duly sworn by me, states that they 25 years old, and is citizen of Monroe and that they are personally acquainted with C. S. Morrey who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said C. S. Morrey is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

He do know that the applicant is the great grand son of old man Saysee (given name not known) He knew his father D. F. Morrey the old man Saysee his son D. F. Morrey the father of applicant both lived in North Carolina near Polah they were also known and regarded as Indian

Affiant further states that they have known the said C. S. Morrey for the past 48 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said C. S. Morrey indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said C. S. Morrey is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said C. S. Morrey to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

L. C. Terry  
M. C. Wright

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Roby Ordinary

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Gu Wm. C. C. C.

Personally appeared before me  
Daniel Leonard who is a justice of  
the peace, W. C. C. C. & Amy Ann C. C.  
the sister of said C. C. C. I know  
them; Applicants are the son  
& daughter of one George Nelson  
who married Jane Swanson, who  
was the grand daughter of John  
Swanson & who passed as  
a half-breed Charles Swanson.  
Applicant has no interest in the  
possession of the C. C. C.,  
he has known the applicants  
all their life and from  
their appearance they are  
young Indians.  
Done & Subscribed  
in this day 22/84.

J. J. C. C.

Ordinary

Leamuel C. C. C.  
G. W. Swanson



State of Tex, County of Rock

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. J. Peoples & Mary A. Link who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 35 years old, and is a citizen of Henry County and that they is personally acquainted with Ed W. Blair who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person they represents him self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Affiant knew the father and mother of Applicant - Ed W. Blair & Anna Jane Blair - mother of Applicant - Saint Ann Jane Blair - was the daughter of our William Anasauri -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicant for the past 35 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

W. J. Peoples  
Mary A. Link

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Roby, Ordinary

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared R. R. Bain who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 75 years old, and is a citizen of Illinois

and that he is personally acquainted with Mary Ann  
Quinn who is an applicant for citizenship in the United  
Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary Ann Quinn is the identi-  
cal person she represents he self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Applicant: Mary the Applicant's name  
John Madison Emerson who was  
a great-grand father of Applicant

2 June Affiant further states that he has known the said Mary Ann for the past 30 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary Ann indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary Ann is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary Ann to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August, 1966,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Arbez, Ordinary

**End**





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Nation's No.

4778

Commission's No.

In re Application of

William C. Graham  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

SEC.

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armatrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*William C. Graham*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his ~~afore said~~ demurres, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John W. Adair* through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *John W. Adair*, *John W. Adair* & *James H. Hutchins* Attorneys.  
John W. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *15* day of *Feb* 1896.

*William M. Lacey*  
*J. S. Doniphan*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



For Session

No. 2901317
Court.
Term, 189
A. C. Graham et al
vs.
The Cherokee Nation
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Deputy
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Clerk.
J. W. HARRIS, JR., CARTERSVILLE, GA.
Attorney for

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

J. W. Harris  
I, ~~Henry Clay Barritt~~, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of H. C. Graham & others under  
Osage Creek

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of thats attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.  
my own copy  
March 5 1899

J. W. Harris

8 day of September, 1896.

Decease

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

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No. 510

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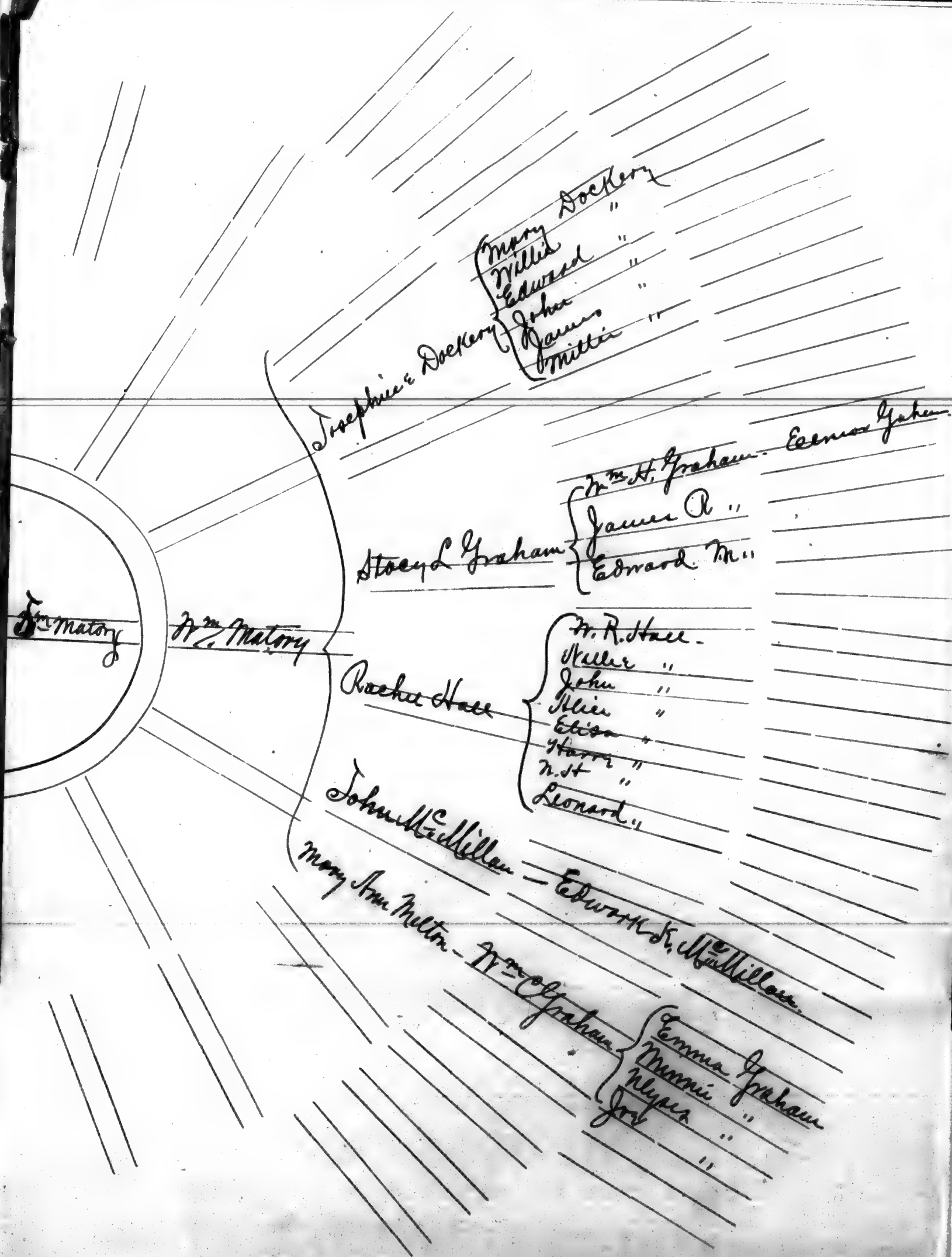
S. H. Mayes

Tahlequah

Cherokee Nation

# CHART

**wig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.**





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1806, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William C. Graham makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of Maryanne Maltan and the Grandson  
of one William Maltan and the son  
of one Eight Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 41 years of age, his postoffice address is Okemah, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1st Sarah, wife age 38 years. Children: 2 Emma,  
age 10 years; 3 Minnie, age 7 years and 4  
Moses S. age 4 years. 5 Jol age 15 yrs  
His Grandfather William Maltan is a citizen  
of the Cherokee Nation, and his mother Mrs. Maryanne  
Maltan is also a citizen of the Cherokee Nation. P.O. Okemah.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

W. C. Graham  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

W. C. Graham  
Subscribed

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 25, 1806, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

A. Graham, Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Stacy L. Graham makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That she is the daughter of one William Matoy and the grand daughter  
of one James Matoy and the daughter  
of one Laurie who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 40 years of age, her postoffice address is Queston, Tenn.,  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
1. William H. age 21. 2. Elener son of William H. age 1  
3. James R. age 18. Edward M. age 15. My father  
William Matoy is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.  
Her husband's name is Napoleon B. Graham  
Age 50 years for evidence reference is made to the evidence of the  
claim of Rachel Matoy, my sister, and the evidence of the claim of William Matoy  
the PO records of William Matoy is supposed to be correct. Her last day was 1880.  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Stacy L. Graham  
witnessed by J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Stacy L. Graham

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 27, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. L. Smith  
Notary Public



Stacy L. Graham

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## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John McMillan makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That ~~he~~ she is the Child of one  
William Matay and the Grandson  
of one Matay and the  
of one greater who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
greater Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 23 years of age, his postoffice address is Qualltown, Kansas  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
Barbery, wife, age 25, Edwara H. age 10 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John McMillan  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Kansas, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Graham  
Clerk

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Rachel Hall makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one William Maloy and the Grand daughter  
of one James Maloy and the daughter  
of one James Maloy who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
farmer Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 45 years of age, her postoffice address is Qualltaden, Tenn.

and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1st her husband John M. Hall, 3rd R. aged 22, 3rd Nellie age 14  
4th John age 13, Alice age 12, 6th Eliza age 11, Harry age 8, 10th Charles  
age 7, Leonard age 3 years. William Maloy, her father,  
once drew money from the Government for  
applicant as his child. William Maloy is now in  
the Indian Territory

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Rachel Hall

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Putnam

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Rachel Hall

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

A. B. Graham, Clerk

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned Josephine Dodery-----makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one William M. M. M. M. and the and the of one and the of one who your petitioner firmly believes was sent Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, her postoffice address is Behalla N.C.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
H. B. Dockery, husband age 36, & Mary age 13, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Millie age 11, 4<sup>th</sup> Eddie age 9, 5<sup>th</sup> John age 7,  
6<sup>th</sup> James age 5, 7<sup>th</sup> Millie, age 1 yr.

**Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.**

Josephine ~~Mc~~ <sup>My</sup> Oakley  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney

STATE OF Mississippi, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy

N. B. Graham



State of Tennessee, County of Polk

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared William McMillan who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 53 years old, and is a citizen of Cherokee Co., N.C. Post office Rachel Healy John McMillan Line McMillan decd. and that he is personally acquainted with Stacy L. Graham, who are applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Parties are the identical persons they represent themselves to be in their application for such citizenship.

That he is personally acquainted with William Matay, and have heard him acknowledge that he was the father of Rachel Healy, Stacy L. Graham, John McMillan and Line McMillan.

Affiant further swears that the last time he saw William Matay was in the Indian Territory Cherokee Nation. It was in the year 1890, and he then told him that there were his children and that he desired that they come to the Cherokee Nation, that he might during his life secure for them citizenship. That the above named applicants have always been known and recognized as children of William Matay and fully entitled to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, and that he believes that their names are on the roll after the war.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Parties all of their lives for the past years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Parties indicate the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew them longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Parties are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said above named to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Wm McMillan

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

A. B. Graham  
County Clerk

State of Tennessee, County of Pack

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Millie McMillan who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 20 years old, and is a citizen of Cherokee County, T.C. Post office Ducktown, Tenn. and that she is personally acquainted with Rachel Hall, Stacy L. Graham, John McMillan and Linn McMillan who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Parties are the identical persons they represent themselves to be in their application for such citizenship.

Affiant further swears that she is the mother of Rachel Hall, Stacy L. Graham, John McMillan and Linn McMillan deed and that William Matay, who is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation Indian Territory is the father of the above named children. To wit: Rachel Hall, Stacy L. Graham, John McMillan and Linn McMillan deed and the grandfather Jas. son of Linn who resides with affiant. Affiant further swears that the said William Matay acknowledged the said children to be his children and that fact was and is generally recognized and has never been questioned, and that the eldest, Rachel has Indian money drawn for her by her father William Matay and that the names of all of the above named, as she is informed and believes appeared on the Ducktown roll, which roll was made out after the late war.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Parties all their lives for the past years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Parties indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the William Matay's mother and others acquainted with the ancestry of William Matay applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said parties above named of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said above named parties to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. And in that ought to secure his rights except in the claim of Jas. her grandfather and the grandson of William Matay.

Witness  
J. B. Graham  
E. W. Graham  
Millie McMillan  
Stacy

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. B. Graham  
County Clerk

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Nation's No. 3899  
Commission's No .....  
In re Application of

J. H. Roberts

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*J. T. Roberts*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

*Rhoda Baugh*  
..... through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Bondi* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC



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Nation's No.

4857

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Samuel E. N. Wade

Demurrer and Answer.

OCT. 21,  
M. JACOWAY-

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Harriet E. Wade*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Fraser Bryant* through whom the petitioner claim to derive her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*S. H. Mayes* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Wm. S. Mayes* *Wm. S. Mayes* *Wm. S. Mayes* Attorneys.

*Wm. S. Mayes* Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *15* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*J. B. Thompson*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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The Cherokee Nation
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W. W. [Signature]
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[Signature] 189
Clerk.
J. W. HARRIS, Jr.,
CARTERSVILLE, GA.
Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, W. H. Harris  
~~Henry Clay Barrett~~, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-  
emnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered  
at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received  
from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the application of Barrett Wade & others under same  
name

and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of the witnesses thereto attached  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

in support of same.

W. H. Harris Jr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My comm. Exp.  
March 6-1899

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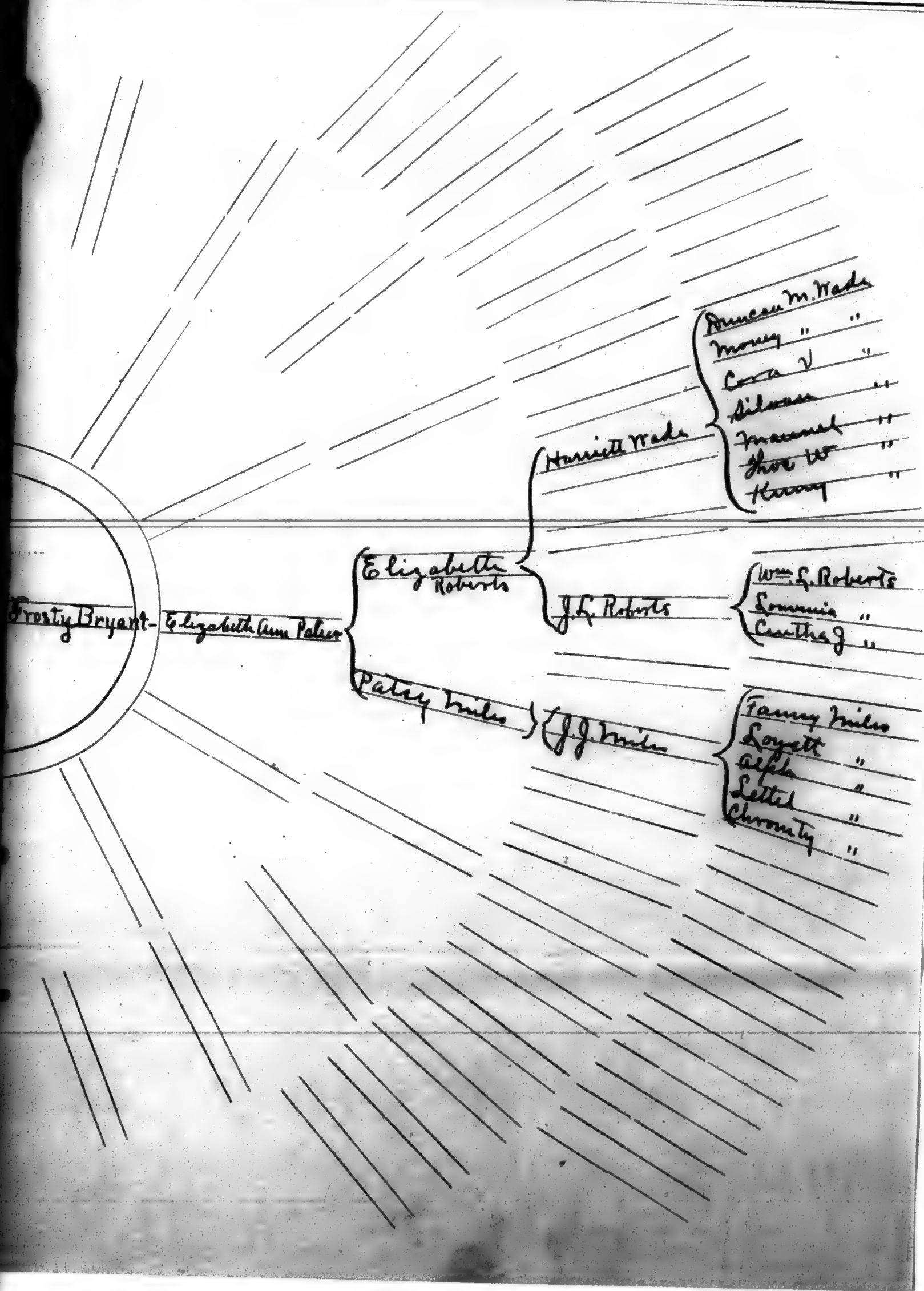
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Post Office at _____	Registered Letter No. <u>4</u> of <u>Sept.</u> , 189 <u>6</u>
of _____	<u>W. H. Harris</u>
addressed to _____	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u> <u>Cherokee Nation</u>

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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Harriet E. M. Wade makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That 45 is the great grand, daughter of one  
Leasing, Bryant and the daughter Elizabeth  
of one Robert who was the daughter Harvey Palmer  
of one Henry Bate who was the daughter of one  
a full blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 45 years of age, his post office address is Angie, Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Benjamin M  
Wade 18 years son, Mary M Wade  
age 17 years old, Cora V Wade  
age 15, Selva M Wade  
age 13, Thomas M Wade  
age 11, John H Wade  
age 9, Henry M Wade, age 2 years  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Harriet E. M. Wade

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Henry

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Harriet E. M. Wade

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Corby, Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Wm.

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Miles who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 21 years old, and is a citizen of Wm. and that he is personally acquainted with Norman E. Wade who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Norman E. Wade is the identical person he represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant knows that the applicant is a daughter of Elizabeth Roberts, & that Elizabeth Roberts is a daughter of Mary Patten & that Mary Patten is a daughter of Frost or Miller Bryan. Affiant knows that the said Miller Bryan was 1000 a free blood Cherokee Indian.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Norman E. Wade for the past 35 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Norman E. Wade indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Norman E. Wade is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Norman E. Wade to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

L. J. Miles  
J. J. Miles

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Orby, Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. L. Roberts makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the great grand son of one  
Isaac Bryan (also Isaac Bryan) and the son of James Roberts  
son of Mrs. Morris, Elizabeth Parker who was the grand  
daughter of Isaac Bryan (also Isaac Bryan) who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 43 years of age, his post office address is Amzi  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Isaac Roberts  
son age 25 8 years old Louisa Roberts  
daughter age 6 years old, Quaker  
Roberts daughter age 3 years old

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. L. Roberts

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ka, COUNTY OF Henry

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J. L. Roberts

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Corbey Ordinary



State of La, County of Winn

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. J. Buices & D Wade who after being duly sworn by me, states that they is, 71 & 49 years old, and is a citizen of Mississippi and that they is personally acquainted with J. L. Roberts who is an applicant for citizenship in the United States Nation, I. T., and that the said J. L. Roberts is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Applicant knows that Applicant is  
a great-grandson of Frosty Bryant-  
alias Neddie Bryant. Applicant's mother  
Mother was a daughter Mary Patin  
+ that Mary Patin was a daughter  
of Frosty Bryant-alias Neddie Bryant-  
who died + died in about 1890  
+ who was a full blood  
Cherokee Indian to the best of  
my knowledge.

Affiant further states that they have known the said J. L. Roberts for the past 34 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. L. Roberts indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. L. Roberts is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. L. Roberts to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 8 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Coby, Ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Wm. Acery who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 32 years old, and is a citizen of Whisper County & and that he is personally acquainted with J. L. Roberts who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said J. L. Roberts is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant further states that he has known the said J. L. Roberts for the past 30 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. L. Roberts indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. L. Roberts is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. L. Roberts to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Wm. Acery  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10 day of Aug 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Robey, Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. J. Miller makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the great grand son of Fookie Pryor of one  
Alia Miller (Pryor) and the son of the son  
of one Peter Miller and the who was the  
daughter of Mary Pryor whose name Pryor was  
born of Fookie Pryor who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 71 years of age, his post office address is Arroyo  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Harry Miller  
20 years old - Loyell Miller - Ralph Miller  
Lettie Miller - Charlotte Miller -  
Leah Miller - defendant's wife, with  
Alia Miller who is a cousin of  
Harry & has the same ancestors, a  
great grand daughter of Fookie Pryor  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. J. Miller  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Arizona, COUNTY OF Maricopa

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12th, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Miller  
J. J. Miller, Ordinary



State of Kentucky, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. J. Henry, Wm. Hatcher who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 32 years old, and is a citizen of Whitfield County Miss. Co. and that he is personally acquainted with J. J. Miles who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said J. J. Miles is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant swears that the applicant  
is the great son of Loring Bryant -  
alias Huddie Bryant - and that Loring  
Bryant was a half breed Cherokee Indian

Affiant further states that he has known the said J. J. Miles for the past 40 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. J. Miles indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. J. Miles is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. J. Miles to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Henry  
Wm. Hatcher  
J. J. Miles  
L. J. Roby, Ordinary

**End**





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Nation's No.

4845

Commission's No.

In re Application of

P. S. Brockwell

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21.

H. M. JACOWAY-

SEC.

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H. M. Jacoway  
Secy. of the  
Chicago  
Board of  
Trade  
Chicago, Ill.  
1900

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.

P. L. Bora Mr. X

**Nation's No.**.....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....<sup>4-2</sup>.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving the aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that: Dean Brackley

through whom the petitioner... claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
By John L. Asair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

John T. Asair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Feb, 1896.

**NOTARY PUBLIC.**

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vs	
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J. W. HARRIS, Jr.	
CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Montanus J.  
Henry Clay Barnett, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-  
emnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered  
at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received  
from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the application of RI, Brackett & others under same  
over

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March 6 1899

Montanus J.  
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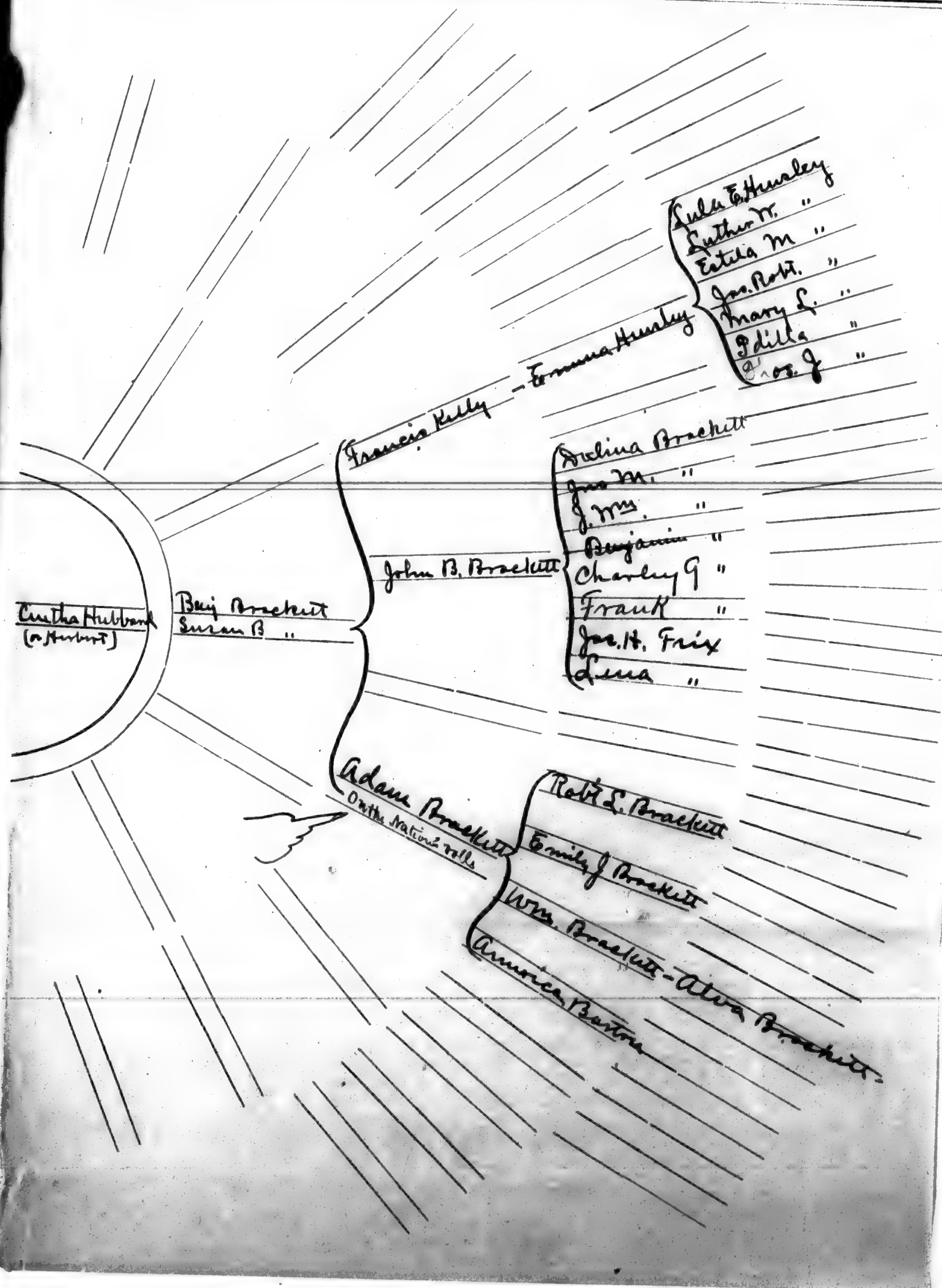
REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
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Registered Letter No.	<u>530</u> Rec'd
of	<u>Montanus J.</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah Ind</u> <u>Ok. Territory</u>

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Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Robert L. Brackett makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Adam Brackett and the Grand Son  
of one Susy Brackett and the Great Grand Son  
of one Herbert who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 30 years of age, his postoffice address is Blairsville, Ga.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

My father is a citizen of Cherokee  
Nation. My cousin David Brackett  
is also a citizen of Cherokee nation  
at Salisaw, I.T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

R. L. Brackett

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Union

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

R. L. Brackett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. J. Smith C.S.C.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Emily J. Bracker makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Adam Bracker and the grand daughter  
of one Susy Bracker and the great grand daughter  
of one Herbert who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, his postoffice address is Blairsville, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

My father is a Citizen of Cherokee  
Nation, I.T. My Cousin Adam Bracker  
is also a citizen of Cherokee, at  
Salisbury, I.T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Emily J. Bracker  
By John Harris, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Union

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Emily J. Bracker  
John Harris

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. J. Swartz, C.S.C.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William Brackett makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Adam Brackett and the grand son  
of one Eusey Brackett and the great grand son  
of one Herbert who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 24 years of age, his postoffice address is Blairsville, Ga.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1. Zade (wife) age 23. 2. Alon age 1 year.  
My father is a citizen of Cherokee nation  
My grandfather Adam Brackett is also a citizen of Cherokee  
Nation at Salisaw I.T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

William Brackett  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Union

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God,

William Brackett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 28, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. M. J. Smith, C.S.C.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Marion Barton makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Adam Brackett and the grand daughter  
of one Enos Brackett and the great grand daughter  
of one Herbert who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, his postoffice address is Chatsworth, Ga.  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

My father Adam Brackett is a citizen  
of Cherokee Nation  
My Cousin Dan Brackett is also  
a citizen of Salisaw I.T.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Marion Barton

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Union

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Marion Barton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1906, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. J. Smith, C.S.C.

State of Georgia, County of Union

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared C. C. McBee, who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 42 years old, and is a citizen of Union Co. Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Robt. W. W. Smith Bracewell & American Applicants an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical persons they represents themselves to be in this application for such citizenship.

I was personally acquainted with Adam Bracewell the father of the Applicants, the mother of Adam Bracewell.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicants since their birth for the past years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew them longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

C. C. McBee

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. J. Smith C.S.C.

State of Georgia, County of Union

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Salomon Young who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 43 years old, and is a citizen of Union Co. Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with William, Robert Emily Brackett, American Burton who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said William, Robert Emily Brackett is the identical person they represents themselves to be in this application for such citizenship. Was acquainted with Adam Brackett, the father of the applicants was also personally acquainted with Emily Brackett the mother of Adam Brackett.

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants, from their birth for the past years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew them longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Salomon Young

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

M. J. Smith, c.s.c



State of Georgia, County of Union

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Isabella Bracket who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 46 years old, and is a citizen of Union Co., Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with William, Robert, Emily, Bracket & America Barton who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said William, Robert, Emily, Bracket & America Barton the identical person they represents themselves to be in their application for such citizenship.

Was acquainted with Adam Bracket the father of the Applicants. Was also personally acquainted with Sarah Bracket the Mother of Adam Bracket.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Applicants, from their birth for the past years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said William, Robert, Emily, Bracket & America Barton to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Isabella Bracket  
Mother

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

X M. J. Smith c.s.c.

Application for citizenship

To the Hon Henry L. Dawes, Frank  
Lyons, Armstrong Archibald, McMahon  
Thos B. Babson and Alexander B  
Armstrong, U.S. Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress  
of June 4th 1896 to hear and determine  
claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
nation -

The undersigned, Emer Jane Hensley  
makes this application for admission  
to citizenship in the Cherokee nation in  
the Indian Territory as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the Acts of Congress and the  
laws of the Cherokee nation and  
respectfully submits the following  
facts as the grounds of this claim  
to wit: That she is daughter of  
one Francis Kelley, who was Larkin  
Brackett before she married, who is  
the daughter of Mize Brackett & Cynthia  
Brackett, who was Cynthia Hubbard  
before she married Mize Brackett.  
The said Francis Kelley, the mother  
of Applicant is now a citizen  
of the Cherokee nation, whose  
post office address is Chelsea  
N.Y. who has been recognized as  
a Cherokee by the nation - Also

Also her Uncle Daniel Brackett  
 lives in the Cherokee nation  
 and has been serving the State  
 funds. His Post office is  
 Flint, La. And she said  
 Daniel Brackett & Francis Kelly  
 are named as witnesses to  
 my right to Citizenship.  
 Your petition believes them to  
 be of Cherokee Indian blood  
 and that their names are to be or  
 should be found on the Census  
 rolls, & that they are duly acknowledged  
 members of the Cherokee Tribe of  
 Indians & from who petition  
 derived her Indian blood, entitling  
 her to citizenship in the Cherokee  
 nation. Your petitioner is  
 33 years old, and her best office  
 Address, Round Top, Gilmer County  
 Ga and her family by descent of  
 Cherokee Indian blood is as  
 follows. Old-daughter Lula E.  
 Hensley, age 10 years.  
 Luther W. Hensley <sup>son</sup> age 13 years  
 Estella M. " " daughter " "  
 James Robert Hensley <sup>son</sup> age 9.  
 Mary L. " daughter age 7  
 Edella " " son " 5  
 John J. " " son " 1



Your petition submitted  
herewith the facts of the application  
and respectfully awaits its determina-  
tion

Emer J. Hensley Esq  
Jr Committee

Ye many friends  
You do swear that the facts  
set forth in the above and signed  
my petition are true to the best  
of your knowledge and belief  
So help you God & Amen Hensley

Shown & subscribed before me this  
August 31<sup>st</sup> 1846, & I hereby certify that  
the petition is shown to me as  
the person she represents herself  
to be in her petition and is  
a person of good character  
worthy of belief.

E. J. Coby Ordinary

In Many Counts  
 I Embrace humbly agree  
 to say for Morris one half of  
 all money & land recovered by reason  
 of prosecuting a claim before  
 the U.S. Courts, & Nation Council  
 in case of said recovery of money  
 or land. I am to give one half  
 of all recovered, and will more  
 heed to same when ever I get  
 title to same myself, and will  
 give a lease of 20 years on one  
 half of land allotted to me for  
 services rendered in get my  
 claim to Indian nation settled  
 Witness my hand & seal  
 This August 31/1874  
 E. J. Coby

E. J. Coby, Ordinary

Witness for Applicant -  
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 Ben Brackett, Clerk 24  
 James Kelly (Witness of Appl.) Chelney 24  
 Brad Brackett Tahlequah 24

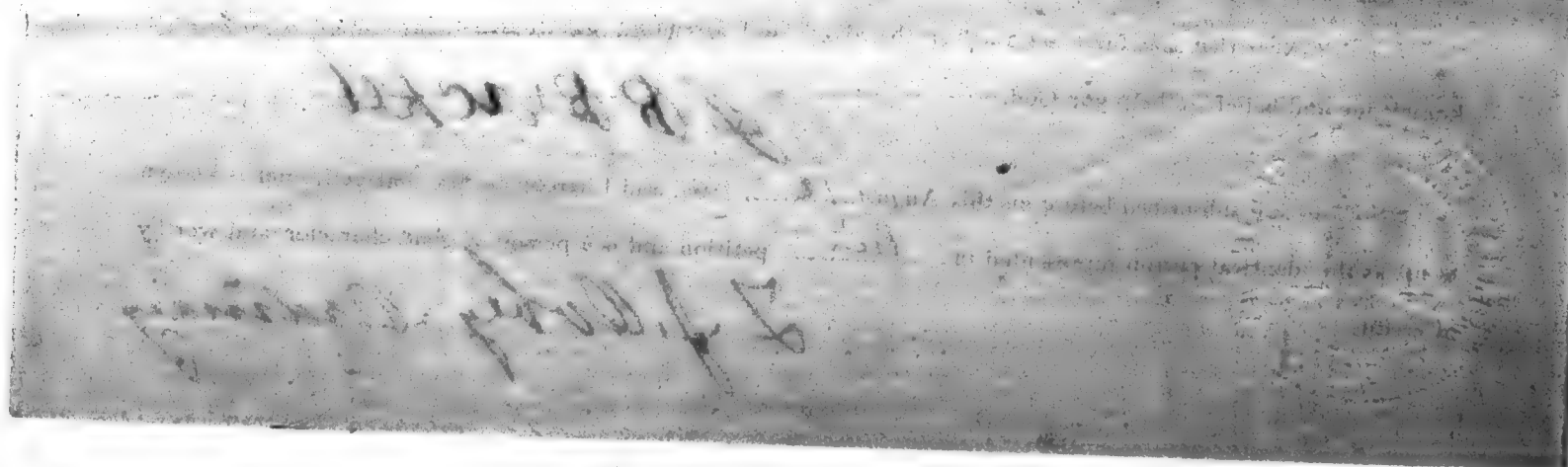
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J. B. Brackett



To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned James B Brackett make this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:  
That he is the son, John F Brackett, who was the son of one  
Benjamin Brackett, who married Mrs. Susan B. Brackett  
of one Ing. Grandmother - and the  
of one John F. Brackett who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his post office address is Lifton Va  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Delina Brackett  
wife age 36 - years old - John M Brackett  
son age 16 years - William Brackett son  
age 15 years old - Ben J. Brackett age  
13 years - Charles H. Brackett son age  
9 years old - Frank, Brackett age 7 yrs  
James Henry Frit - an illegit child age 12 yrs  
John F. Brackett age 9 yrs old.  
Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J B Brackett  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Monroe.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J B Brackett  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.  
J. J. Coker, Ordinary

State of Va , County of Wmwy

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared B. J. Edwards who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 65 years old, and is a citizen of Wmwy and that he is personally acquainted with James O. Brankett who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said J. B. Brankett is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant has known Apple cut all his life or for the 38 years and now he is the son John Brankett was the son Benj. Brankett who married Susan Hutchins who was a full half bred Cherokee Indian Affiant knows that the applicant is a person of Cherokee Indian blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said James B. Brankett for the past 38 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said J. B. Brankett indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said J. B. Brankett is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said J. B. Brankett to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

B. J. Edwards  
for mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. O'Bye, Ordinary



**End**



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Nation's No. 3724

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

Mrs. Ellen Fowler

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
Sec,



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mrs. Ellen Howley*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Doctor Ralphy McConnell*

through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Dec* 189*6*.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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No.	7905
Court.	
Term, 189	
Ellen Fowler et al	
—vs.—	
The Cherokee Nation	
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J. W. HARRIS, Jr.,	
CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. W. Harris, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 27 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Ellen Fowler

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of the witnesses attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27 day of September, 1896.

My comm. expires  
March 6 1899

J. W. Harris  
D. A. Taylor

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA.
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No. <u>447</u>	Rec'd
of <u>J. W. Harris</u>	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter. 189
addressed to <u>S. H. Mayes</u>	
<u>Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.</u>	
<u>D. A. Taylor</u>	P.M.



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1906, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned Mrs. Ellen Fowler makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Jim Doctor McConnell and the grand Daughter of one Doctor Rolly McConnell and the (He was killed as a slave by Andy McCormell of this full 56) of one a full blooded who your petitioner firmly believes was a full blooded Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 40 years of age, her post office address is Emerson Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: The land Lewis Foster  
Children (1) Viola 24 - she married Tom Daniel - has Angelina 3 years & Harry 1  
year old, her children - (2) Idilla 21 years old, (3) Mattie, 19 years old,  
with one child Earnest a babe, (4) Emma 16 years old; John 13;  
Sallie, 9; Henry, 7; Thomas, 3; and Doctor 1 year old.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Ellen Fowler

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 18, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

Adm bolling  
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State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Easter McConnell who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 60 years old, and is a citizen of Floyd County Ga and that she is personally acquainted with Ellen Fowler who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Ellen Fowler is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Ellen is the daughter of my brother who was a slave of Andy McConnell in Fairfield S.C. & he was known by the name of "Jim Doctor". His father & mine was named "Doctor Rollin" & he was a full blood Cherokee Indian. He followed my mother who was brought as a slave from Virginia and lived with her as a slave and died at Fairfield when I was a small girl. He was red - had long black straight hair and spoke the Indian language - He has often boasted that he was a Cherokee Indian and was so regarded by Mr. McConnell my master and his appearance and conduct clearly showed it.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Ellen Fowler for the past 40 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Ellen Fowler indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Ellen is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Ellen to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Easter McConnell  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 18 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Adm. Collins  
4/22/96

State of Georgia, County of Barrow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Charlotte Haley who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 65 years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County

and that she is personally acquainted with Ellen Fowler who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Ellen Fowler is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant is the mother of Ellen. Ellen's father was my first husband & his name was Jim Doctor McCon-  
nell. Jim Doctor was the son of Doctor Rolly who followed his wife from Virginia and lived as a sort of a slave on the place of Andy McCormell near Fairfield S.C. Doctor Rolly was a full blooded Cherokee Indian & I have often heard him talk their language and he was red with long straight black hair & looked like the full Indians. So did his son Jim Doctor my husband. Ellen has nine living children and three grand children

Affiant further states that she has known the said Ellen for the past 40 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Ellen indicates the Indian type. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Ellen is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Ellen to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Charlotte X Haley  
Barrow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Amey Collins  
Notary Public



State of Georgia, County of Floyd

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Isam McCommell who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 85 years old, and is a citizen of Floyd County Ga and that he is personally acquainted with him who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Isam McCommell is the identical person Isam McCommell represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

I was raised in South Carolina and know  
Jim Doctor McCommell & his parents. His father  
was Doctor Rolley. He was brought from Virginia  
to stay with Judy his wife who was a slave of  
Andy McCommell at Fairfield S.C.  
Doctor Rolley was an Indian doctor & in that way  
got his name. He was a full blooded Cherokee  
Indian and his wife was a half indian - Jim Doctor  
their son was apparently also a full blood  
I know Easter McCommell; she is the daughter  
of Doctor Rolley & the brother of Jim Doctor  
and she shows Indian blood plain. Doctor Rolley  
spoke the Indian language and boasted of his Cherokee blood  
Affiant is no kin to them -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Isam McCommell for the past 24 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Isam McCommell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Isam McCommell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Isam McCommell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Isam McCommell  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of Aug. 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

John O. Davis  
Ordinary  
Floyd Co. Ga.

**End**





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Nation's No.

4794

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*L. J. Crosby*  
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Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*J. H. Cronby et al*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John H. Cronby* through whom the petitioner claim to derive his right

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. Cusag* and *John H. Cronby* Attorneys.  
John H. Cronby, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct 1896.

*J. H. Cronby*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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No. 2902 321
Court.
Term, 189
T. J. Orbey et al —vs.— The Cherokee Nation
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Filed in Clerk's office R. J. Pickett 189 Clerk.
J. W. HARRIS, Jr., CARTERSVILLE, GA. Attorney for



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. W. Harris Jr  
Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-  
emnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered  
at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received  
from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the application of J. J. Orby et al under same com

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

J. W. Harris Jr

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Letter No. 509 Rec'd Sept 8, 1896

of J. W. Harris

addressed to S. H. Mayes

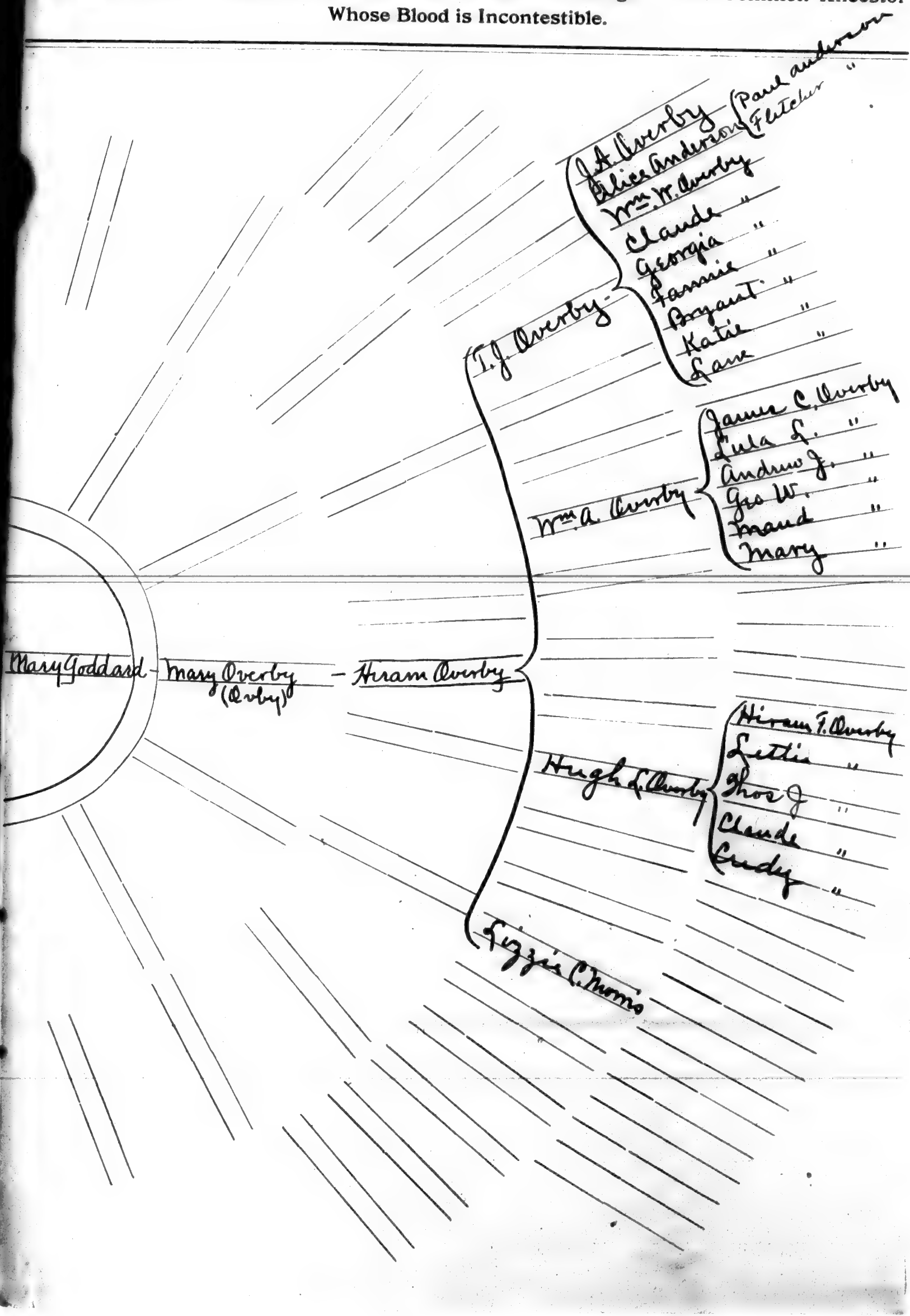
Tahlequah Ind

R. H. Taylor P. M.

Goddard - Overby or Oby

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Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.





## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. J. Overby makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Hiram Overby and the grand son  
of one Mary Overby and the who was  
of one Mary Goddard who your petitioner firmly believes was half  
blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

My Father proved is Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation some time  
in the year 1838 or 9

Your petitioner is 44 years of age, his postoffice address is Spring Place Ga  
and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>William W. Overby</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>One sixteenth</u>
<u>Alanda Overby</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Georgia Overby</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Fannie Overby</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Bryant Overby</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Matie Overby</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Leane Overby</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>" " " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. J. Overby

By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

J. J. Overby

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 3, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

W. J. Johnson

Notary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Allie E. Anderson makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one J. J. Coby and the Grand daughter of one Hiram Overby and the Great Grand daughter of one May Godard who was before married to May Godard Blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

My Grand father Hiram Overby proved his Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation some time in the year 1838 or 9

Your petitioner is 21 years of age, his postoffice address is Spring Place, Ga and family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Pall Anderson</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>One Sixteenth</u>
<u>Fletcher Anderson</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>" " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Allie E. Anderson  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Allie E. Anderson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. J. Coby, Preliminary

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William A. Overbey makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one Heiram Overbey and the Grand Son of one Macy Overbey who was Half of one Mary Goddard before Marriage was Half Blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

My father proved his Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation some time  
about 1838 or 9

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is Spring Place Ga and My family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>James L. Overbey</u>	<u>Boy 14</u>	<u>One Sixteenth</u>
<u>Lewla L. Overbey</u>	<u>Girl 11</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>Andrew J. Overbey</u>	<u>Boy 9</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>George W. Overbey</u>	<u>Boy 5</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>Mabel Overbey</u>	<u>Girl 3</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>May B. Overbey</u>	<u>Girl 1</u>	<u>" " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

W. A. Overbey  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

L. J. Overbey Ordinary



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned J. A. Overby makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the Son of one J. J. Overby and the Grand Son  
of one Heiram Overby and the Great Grand Son  
of one Mary Overby who your petitioner firmly believes was half  
Blood Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

My Grandfather My Grandfather Hiram  
Overby Proved his Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation some time in the year 1838 or 9 as  
I have been told by my folks

Your petitioner is 23 years of age, his postoffice address is Spring Place, Ga.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

J. A. Overby  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 13, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Roby, Ordinary

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Hugh L. Overby makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That He is the Son of one Hiram Overby and the Grand Son of one Mary Overby and the who was of one Mary Rodard who your petitioner firmly believes was Half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived this Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

My Father has once proved his citizenship in the Cherokee Nation this was some time in 1838 or nine as he has always told me

Your petitioner is 47 years of age, his postoffice address is Sumnerville Ga and this family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Hiram Linley Overby</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>One Eighth</u>
<u>Lillie Overby</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>" "</u>
<u>Thomas J. Overby</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>" "</u>
<u>Clara Overby</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>" "</u>
<u>Ledy Overby</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>" "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

+ H. L. T. Overby  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Chattooga

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

+ H. L. T. Overby

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

John M. Overby

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Lizzie C. Morris makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Hiram Overby and the Grand Daughter of one Mary Overby and the who was of one Mary Overby who your petitioner firmly believes was Half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river:

Your petitioner is 42 years of age, her postoffice address is Summerville, Ga and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>No children</u>		

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Lizzie C. Morris  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Chattooga

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Lizzie C. Morris

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 21, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

John Walter Ewing



State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Balas Edwards who after being duly sworn by me,

states that He is 99 years old, and is a citizen of Murray County

Georgia and that He is personally acquainted with L. E. Morris who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Parties mentioned is the identical person They represent them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Affiant further says that he was personally and well acquainted with Hiram Doby and has known him ever since some time about the year 1830 and on until his death in the year 1892 and know that my self and him was together in this country when the indians went of and was taken off from this country and affiant know that the said Hiram Doby was one fourth indian blood of the Cherokee tribe and one proved his citizen ship some time in the year 1838 or 9

Affiant further states that He has known the said Parties for the past 30 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Parties indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Parties is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that He has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Parties to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Balas Edwards  
minister

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 19 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W. B. Johnson C. S. C.

State of Tex, County of Murray

Before me the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared W. H. Davis who after being duly sworn by me,

states that they 73 years old, and is a citizen of Murray

County - La and that they are personally acquainted with J. J. Orby who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants the identical person they represents them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Affiant - I know them they are the sons and daughters of one Herman Orby, deceased. I know J. J. Orby & Alice Anderson one the son & daughter of J. J. Orby.

Affiant further states that they has known the said applicants for the past 30 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Leander A. Jones  
J. J. Davis

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3-2 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Orby, Ordinary  
J. J. Davis



Deposition of Nat D Smith,  
in the matter of Indemnity Claims  
of William A Owsby

State of Iowa }  
James County } Personal of  
                                present before  
                                me Sam

Huffman, County Court Clerk  
of the County and State aforesaid -  
Nat D Smith, and who  
makes oath in due form of  
law, that he is 84 years of  
age, and his P. O. is Cottonmouth  
Iowa, - and that he was per-  
sonally acquainted with William  
Owsby - the father of William  
A Owsby - and I know he  
was citizenized in the Cherokee  
Nation, at Charleston Iowa  
some time in the year of  
1838 or 9 - and that he started  
to go to the Cherokee Nation  
West of the Mississippi river  
where the Cherokees left this  
country, his wife would not



go with him and he come  
back — and further I have  
no interest in this claim.  
I was an Indian Agent at  
the time said Heroin County  
was organized, and the  
proof was taken before me.

Wm D Smith  
Sworn to and Subscribed  
before me Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> 1896.  
Sam Haffner, Clerk  
James County Court.

**End**





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Nation's No. 3744  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

Emiline Wyatt

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Emiline Lygath*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Samuel Edwards*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Baudin* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *6* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Gordon Co Ga

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No. <u>2906</u>	Court.
Term, 189	
<u>Emilia H. Wyatt et al</u>	
—vs.—	
<u>The Cherokee Nation</u>	
ORIGINAL	
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Clerk.	
J. W. HARRIS, Jr.,	
CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

*J. Harris*  
I, *Henry Clay Barritt*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *Mrs. F. M. Myatt*,  
*Murrie Moss*, *Joe F. Myatt*, *L. B. Moss*  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of  
*L. C. Storn*  
*H. T. Inlow*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7 day of September, 1896.

*My Comm. Expire*  
*March 6-1899*

*J. Harris*  
*O. D. Lee*

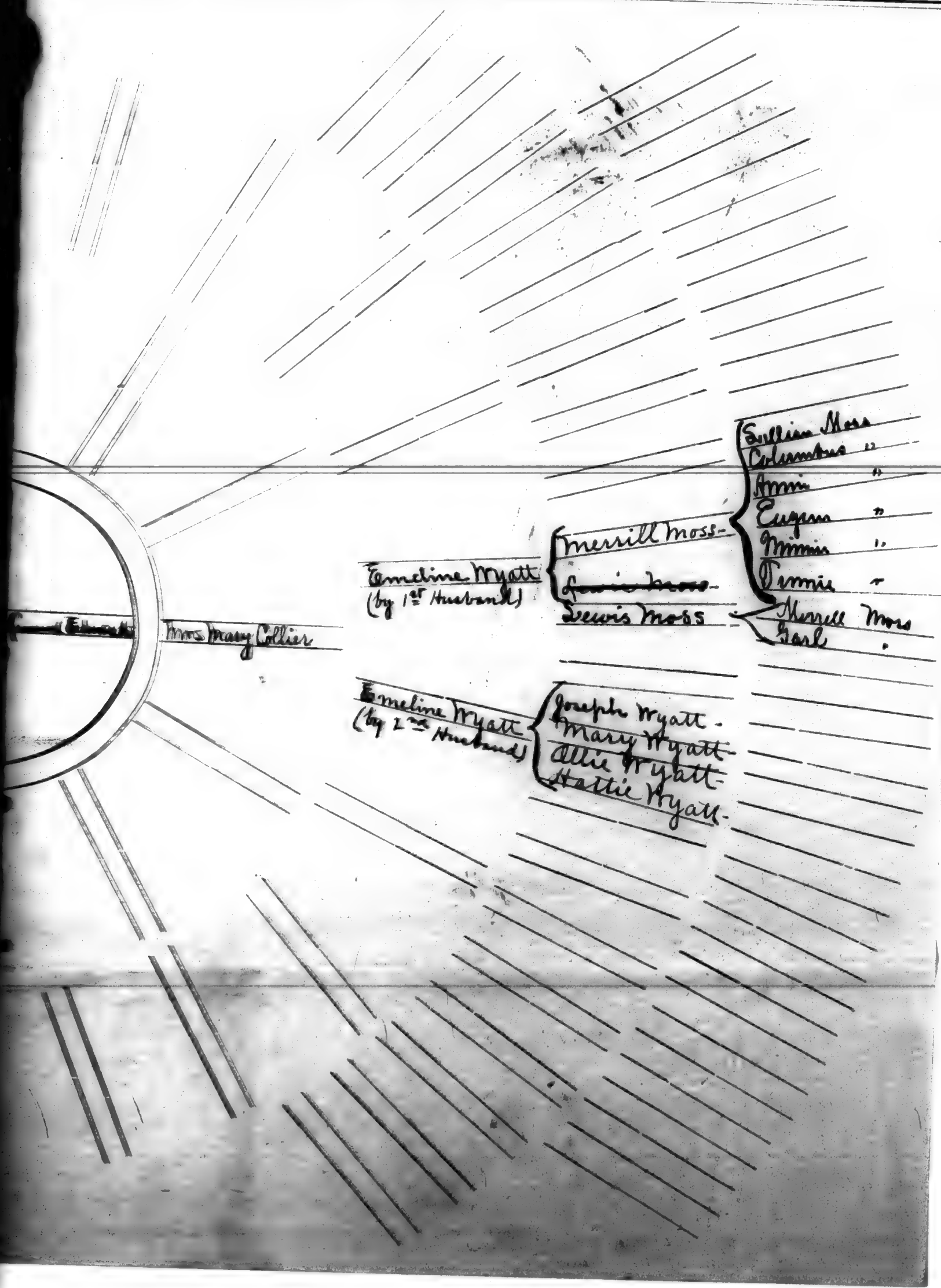
Vinita, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

VINITA, 189  
SEP 7 1896  
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

*Reg Letter # 1453*  
*Recd of*  
*J. M. Harris*  
*Addressed to*  
*J. H. Mayes,*  
*Tahlequah I.T.*  
*O. D. Fraser P.M.*  
*L.*

# CHART

Showing Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor Whose Blood is Incontestible.





# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mrs. Emeline Wyatt makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Edwards Collier the daughter of one Samuel Edwards who was and the a quarter Cherokee Indian of one and the of one who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

My first husband Lewis Moss  
2<sup>nd</sup> " " is David Wyatt

Your petitioner is 65 years of age, his postoffice address is Red Bud Gordon Co Mo and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
Muriel Moss	36	Son of Applicant
Lewis Moss	32	"
Joseph Wyatt	22	"
Mary	19	Daughter " "
Ockie J. Wyatt	18	" " "
Hattie " "	14	" " "

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Emeline Wyatt

By G. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Will B. Satcher Miss Emeline J. Wyatt

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of August, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Asa J. Collier  
M. J. Collier



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Murrell Moss makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Mrs Emeline Hyatt by her first of one husband Moss and the

of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was

\_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his postoffice address is Craw Eater Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Lillian Moss</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Columbus "</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Annie "</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Eugene "</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Minnie "</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Samuel "</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Murrell Moss

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Murrell Moss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Aug 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Adam Collins

Attest

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned John Hyatt makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit :

That Lu is the son of Mrs Emilina Hyatt the daughter of one

\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_

of one.....who your petitioner firmly believes was.....

..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, his postoffice address is Kell Bend Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of the application and respectfully awaits its determination.

For Thy att  
By

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Barrow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31st, 1906, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

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# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation :

The undersigned D. B. Moss makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That Lucy is the Son of Mrs Emeline Wyatt by her first husband of one

of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_

of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was \_\_\_\_\_

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived Indian blood entitling to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 33 years of age, his postoffice address is Red Butte Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Acron Collins  
N. S. Collins



State of Georgia, County of Barrow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Jim Stom who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 62 years old, and is a citizen of Yamacraw County and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs Emeline Bryant who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. and that the said Applicant is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

I know old man Samuel Edwards well - He died about 25 years ago & was then about 73 years old. He claimed to be part Cherokee Indian - talked about it - and he looked like the Indians, having their race features and appearance -

He was the grandfather of Mrs Emeline Bryant whom I know well - She is known as I dictate this affidavit & she has earnestly stated her family in her application -

~~Also know Cynthia Rich Applicant's mother - Cynthia was daughter of James Rich who claimed Pocahontas as his father - James Rich showed Cherokee blood plainly -~~

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicant since November 1869 for the past years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

G. C. Stom

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Admiral Collins  
Notary Public

State of Ga, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared H. T. Inlow who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 66 years old, and is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs Emeline who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person she represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

I know her mother Mary Collier & I know Mary's father Samuel Edwards from 1854 or 1855 - about 42 years ago. Samuel Edwards was clearly a pure Cherokee and my body recognized this fact. I know his son Newton Edwards who went to the Cherokee Nation before the war and I have heard that he was now a citizen of the Cherokee Nation - with his name in the rolls.

I know Sallie Collier, they called her "Shug"; - she married a man by the name of Hutetuin and went to the Cherokee Nation about 1869 - She & her children are said to be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation. Applicant has six children as stated in her application

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicant for the past many years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

H. T. Inlow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28 day of Aug 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Amos Galloway  
Notary

**End**



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Park Co. Tenn

No. <u>7900</u>	- Court.
Term: 1899	
<u>W. J. Thompson</u> vs. <u>Chas. ...</u>	
ORIGINAL	
Filed 7/8/96	
<u>H. W. Freeman</u> Secretary	
Filed in Clerk's office	
<u>R. J. ...</u> 1899 Clerk.	
J. W. HARRIS, Jr. CARTERSVILLE, GA.	
Attorney for	

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Darritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of A. J. Morgan et al under

name correct  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits as thereto attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My comm expires  
March 6-1899.

J W Harris Jr

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REGISTERED		RECEIPT	
Post Office at		VINITA	
Registered Letter No. <u>506</u>		Rec'd	
of <u>J W Harris Jr</u>		Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter., 1896	
addressed to <u>S. H. Mayes</u>		<u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u>	
		<u>DA Bryant L. Jr</u>	



**Showig Names of Applicants and Their Cherokee Lineage to the Common Ancestor  
Whose Blood is Incontestible.**

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Andrew J. Morgan makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one  
Solomon Morgan and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was One  
fourth Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 50 years of age, his postoffice address is Benton, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> wife, Mahaly age 45; Joseph age 21; 2<sup>d</sup> Thomas  
age 19; 4<sup>th</sup> Gibbons, age 17; John age 14; 6<sup>th</sup> Andrew  
age 11; 7<sup>th</sup> Mary age 13; 8<sup>th</sup> Benton age 10; 9<sup>th</sup>  
Lucy 4; 10 Harrison age 1. My this males, Henry  
Morgan, Griffin Morgan and Helen Morgan and his Ance  
Lucinda and Peter Morgan were taken to the Cherokee Nation  
in removal forty years ago.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Andrew J. Morgan

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Dalh

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Andrew J. Morgan

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Aug 2, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Gishorn  
Co. Clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Annanda Bernie makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one  
Richard Morgan and the Granddaughter  
of one Solomon Morgan and the  
of one fourth who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
fourth Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, her postoffice address is Laabella, Tenn  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1st Elizabeth, child of 3 years old My husband  
is dead

As proof of this claim reference is made to  
a certificate of the Circuit Court of Polk Co. Tenn. in  
which Court the Indian blood of my family, and  
proven in a school controversy (Contract with Will Morgan)

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Annanda Bernie  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Annanda Bernie

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. B. Graham  
clerk.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Octava Bennie makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Richard Morgan and the Grand Daughter  
of one Salomon Morgan and the Grand Daughter  
of one Hawth who your petitioner firmly believes was One  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, her postoffice address is Irabella, Tennessee,  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

George Bennie husband, 2 Mary, age 8; 3rd  
James, age 6; 4th Ella, age 3; 5th William age 7 mos.  
her ancestors Henry Griffin, Hon. Louisa and  
Peter Morgan who were uncles and aunts of her  
father Richard Morgan went to the Cherokee Nation  
many years ago.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Octava Bennie  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Polk

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Octava Bennie

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 2, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N. B. Graham, Clerk

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Lucinda Burns makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one  
Calaman Morgan and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ and the  
of one \_\_\_\_\_ who your petitioner firmly believes was One  
House Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, her postoffice address is Benton Tenn  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1st Husband William Burns, age 40; Anna R. age  
15; Betty, age 13; Ida, age 7; Calvin age 3;  
Napoleon age 1

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Lucinda Burns  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Putk.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Lucinda Burns  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this Augus, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

M. B. Graham  
clerk



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned William M. Morgan makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Solomon Morgan of one  
and the  
of one  
and the  
of one  
who your petitioner firmly believes was one  
fourth Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 47 years of age, his postoffice address is Onoltown, Tenn.  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Martine, wife, age 36, 2<sup>nd</sup> Martine, age 18, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
John, age 17, 4<sup>th</sup> Ellen, age 16, 5<sup>th</sup> Jane, age 14, 6<sup>th</sup>  
Harry, age 13, 7<sup>th</sup> Randall, age 12, 8<sup>th</sup> Caroline, age 11.  
9<sup>th</sup> Frank, age 10, 10<sup>th</sup> Laura, age 9, 11<sup>th</sup> Mahinda, age 6  
Reference is here to a certificate from the Census Bureau on  
file for evidence.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

W M Morgan

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Tennessee, COUNTY OF Putnam

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

W M Morgan

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in the petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

N B Graham

Att.



State of Tennessee } Be it remembered  
 Polk County } that at a Circuit  
 Court began and  
 held for said County at the Court  
 House in the town of Benton, on the  
 14<sup>th</sup> Monday of February 1887 And of the  
 American Independence the 111<sup>th</sup> year  
 Present and presiding the Honorable  
 D.C. Fawcett Judge of the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial  
 Circuit. When the following proceedings  
 were had and entered of Record to wit:  
 Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1887.

*Mandamus*

Joseph Morgan	{	Be it remembered that
Thomas Morgan		this cause came on to
Laura E. Morgan		be heard on the 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Cicero Morgan		day of March 1887 before
Minors by test friend		the Hon. D.C. Fawcett
Andrew Morgan	{	Judge presiding &c. upon
vs.		the Plaintiffs petition
William Humphreys		and answer by defendant
Thomas Cole		and Proof in the Cause
Robert Cole		from all which it
Common School	{	appears to the Court
Directors of the 15 <sup>th</sup>		that the Plaintiffs
Common School		reside in the 15 <sup>th</sup>
District of Polk		Common School District
County Tennessee		of Polk County Tennessee
		and as such they are

entitled to all the benefits of the Common white schools as students of that District.

And that Defendants are the Common School Directors of that District. And as such they refuse the Plaintiffs the right to the benefits and privileges of the Common free white schools of said District. And it appearing from the proof that the Plaintiffs contain some Indian blood in them.

But if they contain any Negro blood in them, that it is very little if any, and not within the prohibited degree provided by law to prevent them from the benefits of the free white Common schools in said District. And the Court therefor adjudges and decrees that the plaintiffs are entitled to the relief prayed for by their petition to have a peremptory mandamus to compel the Defendants to admit the Plaintiffs to all the rights, benefits and immunities of the free white Common schools of the 10<sup>th</sup> Common School District of Polk County Tennessee. But as not prescribe the power granted ~~to~~ by law to School Directors to otherwise regulate their schools. The Court therefor adjudges and decrees that a

peremptory Mandamus" be Awarded  
to Compel the Defendants to admit  
the Plaintiffs to all the rights, <sup>benefits</sup>  
and immunities common to all <sup>other</sup> white  
children within scholastic ages of the  
free white schools in the 10<sup>th</sup> School  
District of Polk County Tennessee. And  
that Defendants pay all the Costs of  
this Cause, out of the Common School  
funds ~~to it~~, in their district town;  
in the 10<sup>th</sup> Common School District,  
and get credit there for, for which  
execution may issue, and they are  
directed to issue their warrant for said  
costs payable to the Clerk of this Court.

It is further ordered and decreed  
by the Court that the Clerk of this  
Court issue a peremptory Mandamus  
for the purposes above ~~declared~~ declared  
together with a Certified Copy of  
this Decree to be served upon the  
Defendants. to be duly returned.

State of Tennessee } I. J. L. Smith  
Polk County } Clerk of the Circuit  
Court for County

Aforesaid Certify that the foregoing  
is a true and perfect copy  
of the record. Done &c. in the



No. 77

Transcript of  
Record

Joseph Morgan  
Father by next  
Friend Andrew George

Wm Humphreys  
Father Common  
School Director &c.

Issued 18<sup>th</sup> Mar.  
1887. J. L. Smith  
Clerk

J. L. Smith Clerk of said Court  
at Office in Boston this March  
25<sup>th</sup> 1887.

J. L. Smith  
Clerk.

Cause of Joseph Morgan et. al. by  
 next friend Andrew Morgan. v. Wm  
 Humphreys et. al. Common School  
 Directors re, at- February Term 1887  
 of said Court. As the same appears  
 of record in my Office. Witness  
 J. L. Smith Clerk of said Court  
 at-Office in Benton this March  
 25<sup>th</sup> 1887. J. L. Smith  
 Clerk.

No. 77

Transcript of  
Record

Joseph Morgan  
et. al. by next

friend Andrew Morgan

vs. Wm Humphreys

et. al. Common

School Directors re,

Issued 25<sup>th</sup> Mar.

1887. J. L. Smith

Clerk

State of Illinois, County of Rock

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared J. L. McClary who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 16 years old, and is a citizen of Peoria, Penn

and that he is personally acquainted with Andrew J. Richard and Griffin Morgan who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Andrew J. Richard and Griffin are the identical persons who represent themselves to be in their application for such citizenship.

That he was personally acquainted with Solomon Morgan father of Andrew J. Richard and Griffin Morgan

Affiant further states that he has known the said Peorias for the past 15 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Morgans indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Solomon Morgan is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said any Indian claim to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. L. McClary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 9 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

N. J. Graham  
Clerk.



**End**

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Nation's No. 4469

Commission's No.

In re Application of

James B. Bell

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
H. M. JACWAY.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
Jane Bull  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that Will Pace

through whom the petitioner claim to derive her right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

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Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By William M. Bueager Attorneys  
William M. Bueager Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct, 1896.

J. D. Doughty

NOTARY PUBLIC

*For my file*

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No. *1976*

Court.

Term, 189

*John Bell et al*

—vs.—

*Cherokee Nation*

ORIGINAL

*Filed 9/8/96*

*W. J. J. J. J.*

Filed in Clerk's office.

*Reflected* 189  
Clerk.

J. W. HARRIS, JR.,  
CARTERSVILLE, GA.

Attorney for *Applicant*

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, J. H. Harris  
Henry Clay Bassett, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do sol-  
emnly swear that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered  
at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received  
from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the application of James Bell

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of all the witnesses hereto attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

my sworn copies  
made - 6-1899.

J. H. Harris

O. H. Hensley

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Letter No. \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

addressed to \_\_\_\_\_

S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah Ind. Ter.  
Cherokee Nation



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Jane Bell makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Lucy Pace and the grand daughter  
of one Kitty Pace and the great grand daughter  
of one unknown who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 57 years of age, her post office address is Stonewell Ga  
and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: her husband whom  
man is Adam N Bell and two children  
as follows Mrs Julia V. Dutton 27 years old and  
Eddie Bell 17 years old  
Mrs Jane Bell she was stolen from her  
Parents in va when only ten years of age  
Thompson cannot know her Great grand Mother.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mrs Jane Bell

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

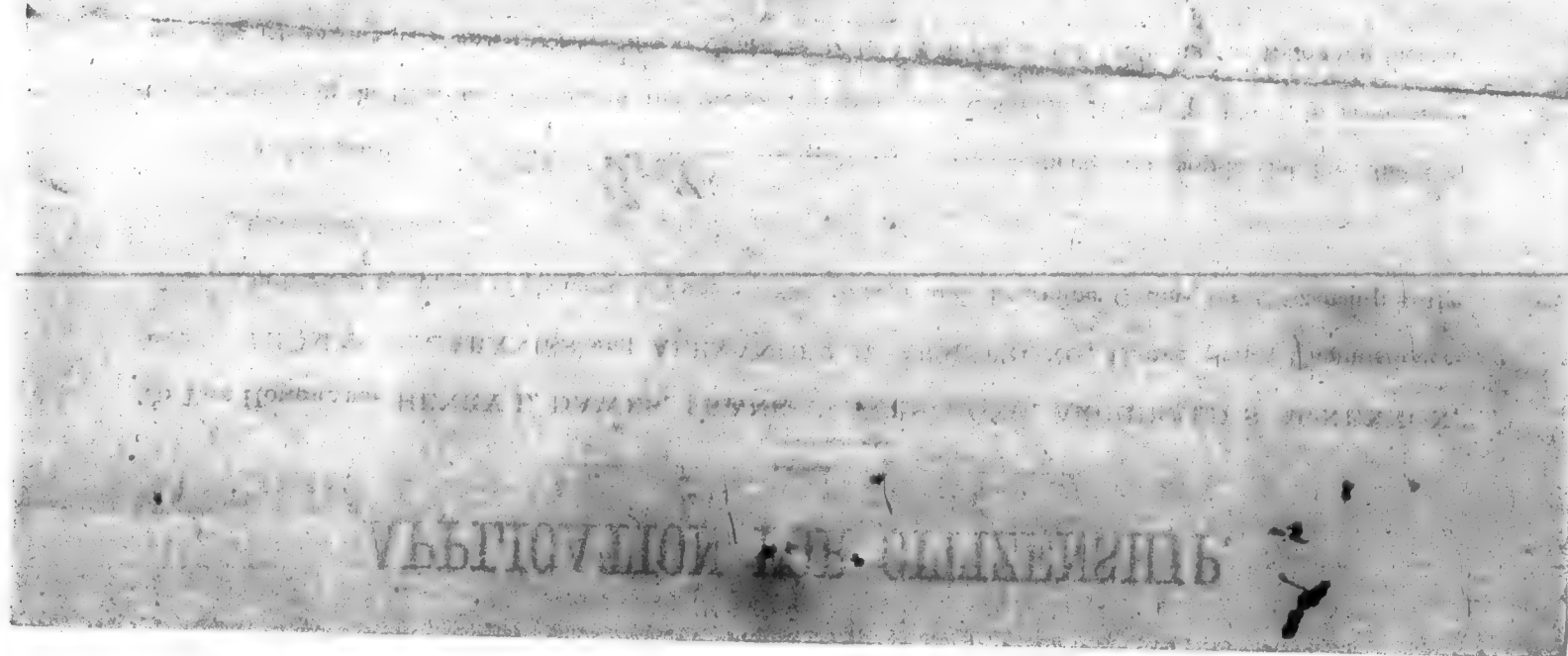
STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Forsyth

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

Geo W. Stovall J.P.

State of Georgia, I Henry L Hawkins  
County of Powell Ordinary of said County  
do hereby certify that George  
W. Stovall is a justice of the Peace of said  
County duly Commissioned and qualified  
that has authority to administer oaths  
for general purposes that his Commission  
was dated January the 30<sup>th</sup> 1893 and will  
expire January 30<sup>th</sup> 1897 and his signature  
to the within instrument is genuine  
Given under my hand and seal of  
office the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896  
Henry L. Hawkins.  
Ordinary





State of Georgia, County of Forrest

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared A. J. Hardeman & H. H. Wood who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 66 & 54 years old, and is a citizen of Forrest County and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs Jane Bell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mrs Jane Bell is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

1<sup>st</sup> Her maiden name was  
Jane Pace Daughter of Lucy Pace  
who was a full blood Indian of  
the Cherokee Tribe. She was the  
grand daughter of Kitty Pace  
Affiant knows she has always  
been called half Indian and resembles  
them very much and fully believes  
her to be entitled to a claim in  
Cherokee Nation.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mrs Jane Bell for the past 25 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs Jane Bell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew her longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs Jane Bell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs Jane Bell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

A. J. Hardeman.

H. H. Wood

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 21 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Geo W Stovall J.P.



State of Georgia } J. Henry L. Hawkins, Ordinary  
County of Forsyth } & said County, do hereby certify  
that George W. Stovall is a

Justice of the Peace of said County duly com-  
missioned and sworn, that he has authority to  
administer oaths for general purposes, that  
his commission was dated January 30  
1895 and will expire on the 30th day of January  
1897, and his signature to the within in-  
strument is genuine.

Given under my hand and  
Seal of Office Aug. 26th 1896.  
Henry L. Hawkins  
Ordinary.

**End**

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Nation's No.

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Alex. G. ...*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY

SEC.



Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. R. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John J. Gordon*

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

through whom the petitioner claim to derive his right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Demurrer sustained

to be  
Commission  
of the Nation  
to be

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*Wm. M. Mayes & Co.* Attorneys.

Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
contents of the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, 15 day of Oct 1896.

*John W. Mayes*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Alex Goodwin Jr makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Alex Goodwin Sr and the grand son of one Ann Hasty and the son of one A who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 20 years of age, his postoffice address is Pin Log, Ga. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
Ab Goodwin	5	Son
Sisab "	3	"
Sissie "	1 1/2	daughter
Charlie "	2 1/2	"
Currie "	22	wife

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Alex Goodwin  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Wm H. Harris Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of April, 1900, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Wm H. Harris  
Notary Public  
Bartow, Fla.

State of Georgia, County of Garlow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Jessie Felton who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 28 years old, and is a citizen of said State & County and that she is personally acquainted with Alex Goodwin who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Alex Goodwin is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That she is well acquainted with applicant and his ancestors - That he is the son of Alex Goodwin & grand son of Ann Hasty - That Alex Goodwin had all the features of an Indian & was recognized in the community where he lived as an Indian of the Cherokee tribe.

Affiant has known applicant all his life & knows that the facts stated in his application are true & that he is of the Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Alex Goodwin all his life and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witness us to make  
S. H. Hall

Jessie Felton  
Max

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. H. Hix  
Notary Public  
Garlow Co. Ga.



State of GA, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Essex Choice who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 72 years old, and is a citizen of Bartow Co, Ga. and that he is personally acquainted with Alex Goodwin who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Alex Goodwin is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he knows Alex Goodwin & knew Alex Goodwin's father Alex Sr. That Alex Sr was a typical Indian having all the racial features. high cheek bones, light complexion, and black hair.

Affiant knows these facts from his own personal knowledge having known said Alex & his father many years -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Alex Goodwin for the past 25 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Alex Goodwin indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Alex Goodwin is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Alex Goodwin to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Witnessed to me  
S H Gallaway

Essex Choice

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James H. Wingo  
Notary Public  
Bartow, Fla.

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *J. W. Harris*  
Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *Alex Goodwin*

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of *thence attached*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

*My comm. Expires  
March 6-1899,*

*J. W. Harris*

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

Registered Letter  
Parcel

No. *513*

Rec'd

*VINITA*  
Sept 8 1896  
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

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of

*J. W. Harris*

addressed to

*S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah  
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.*

**End**



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Nation's No. 3729  
Commission's No. ....  
In re Application of

Rhoda Smith et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

POOR ORIGINAL -  
BEST AVAILABLE COPY

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Rhoda Smith et al*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to sh he applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Joe Jenkins*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hastings & Roudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *J. W. Harris*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 7 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of

*Rhoda Smith*  
and *Charlie Morris*

and of the affidavits of *Charlie Morris*  
*Rock Morris*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7 day of September, 1896.

*My Comm. Expires*  
*March 6-1899.*

*J. W. Harris*  
*O. D. Lee*

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter., 1896.
Registered (Letter) No. 452	Rec'd
of	<i>J. W. Harris</i>
addressed to	<i>S. H. Mayes</i> <i>Tahlequah, Ind.</i> <i>Cherokee Nation</i>

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Rhoda Smith makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Jor Jenkins and the a half breed Cherokee of one Lorian and the who your petitioner firmly believes was Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

My mother Elizabeth was a slave belonging to Raym Anthony & I was born in slavery - My father was not a slave

Your petitioner is 43 years of age, his postoffice address is Big Creek Ga and my family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
Esau Smith	20	Son
Robert "	14	"
Eunice "	13	Daughter
Clivet "	10	"
Mary "	7	"

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Rhoda Smith

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Rhoda Smith

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

James Collins  
A. B. Occornock

State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Charles Morris who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 64 years old, and is a citizen of Cobb Co Ga and that he is personally acquainted with Rhoda Smith who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Rhoda is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Rhoda has five children -  
I know Rhoda's father - He was a half  
blood Cherokee Indian - His name was  
Joe Jenkins. If living he would now be about  
80 years old. He lived with Rhoda's mother and  
by her was the father of Rhoda.  
I knew him a great many years ago - He lived  
then in Milton County Ga and every body knew him  
as one of the old Cherokees who remained in Ga.  
He boasted of being a Cherokee and his looks and  
conduct showed his blood - He was not a slave  
but he lived with Rhoda's mother -  
Elizabeth who was Rhoda's mother has also told me  
that Joe was Rhoda's father

Affiant further states that he has known the said Rhoda all her life for the past years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Rhoda indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Rhoda is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Rhoda to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Charles Morris Jr  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

Asa M. Collins  
Notary



STATE OF GEORGIA.

County of Cobb.

ss.

I, WILLIAM R. MONTGOMERY, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County of Cobb, State of Georgia, and keeper of the Records and Seal of the same, (the same being a Court of Record.)

Do HEREBY CERTIFY: That

*J. G. Alexander* whose name is subscribed to the certificate of the proof or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment a Notary Public and Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Cobb, dwelling in the said County, commissioned and qualified, and duly authorized to take the same. AND FURTHER: That I am well acquainted with the handwriting of

*J. G. Alexander* and verily believe that the signature of said Certificate of Proof or Acknowledgment is genuine. I FURTHER CERTIFY: That said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said Court, at Marietta, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of *March* 1896

*W. R. Montgomery*

State of Georgia, County of Cobb

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Dock Morris who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 92 years old, and is a citizen of Cobb County and that he is personally acquainted with Rhoda Smith who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Rhoda Smith is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Rhoda's father I know was Joe Jenkins -  
He lived with Elizabeth who was a slave & Rhoda  
was born their child - Thomas Jenkins  
Joe was a Cherokee Indian - raised by them or  
among them and his father was a full blood Cherokee  
I knew him but I can not recall his name now  
it has been so many years - But I remember Joe  
Jenkins well - Joe was about 10 years younger than  
I but I saw him often & know he was a Cherokee  
Indian and recognized by the tribe before they  
left Ga as one of them -

Rhoda herself shows in her face an Indian  
blood - She has the color & the hair of the Indian  
race

Affiant further states that he has known the said Applicant all her  
life for the past years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the com-  
plexion and physical appearance of the said Applicant indicates the Indian  
type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the  
applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe  
that the said Applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that  
he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Applicant  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Dock Morris

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1 day of Sept 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know he to be of good  
character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Alexander

No ~~3407~~ 326

Barton Co Ga

Phoda Smith et al

vs

The Clinton Nation

Original

Filed 9/8/96

H. W. Jacobson  
Sney

Respectfully

W. H. Harris  
Cartersville



**End**



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Summit, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Amanda Lester & Sallie Brown

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached thereto

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	<u>VINITA</u>
Registered Letter No.	<u>571</u>
Parcel No.	<u>189</u>
of	<u>J. H. Heroin</u>
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u>
	<u>Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.</u>
	<u>De Mayor Gen</u>



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Amanda Lester makes this application for admission

to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That I am the daughter of Oliver Brown of one Flora Moss and the grand daughter  
of one a who your petitioner firmly believes was

a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 21 years of age, her post office address is Cartersville Ga

and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Husband Miles Lester

Carrie & Homer Gard high grand children mother being dead  
Oliver from a daughter with 4 children to wit, Sallie, Elmer, Homer  
& Lillie = John aged 20 - Rosa Lee aged 18 - Bannister aged  
15 & William aged 11.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Amanda Lester

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Barrow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Amanda Lester

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 19, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Asa W. Collins  
Notary Public

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sally Brown makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit :

That she is the daughter of one Elias Brown and the grand daughter of one John Moss and the

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 34 years of age, his postoffice address is Cartersville Ga  
and no family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Barton

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July, 1900, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in the petition and as a person of good character and worthy of credit.

~~Am. Collins~~  
~~Elect~~

State of Georgia, County of Bartow

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Wills Lester who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 5-4 years old, and is a citizen of said State county and that he is personally acquainted with Salli Brown who is an applicant for citizenship in the Nation, I. T., and that the said Salli is the identical person she represents he self to be in he application for such citizenship.

Salli is the daughter of Elsie Brown whom I know intimately - Elsie lived to be quite old and by her family reputation was the son daughter of Flora Moss who was a Cherokee Indian with all the race features of the tribe - Elsie Salli Brown has no children.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Salli Brown for the past 21 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Salli Brown indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Salli is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Salli to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Wills C. Datterfield Wills C. Datterfield  
as to mark Wills C. Datterfield

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Sept 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

James G. Datterfield  
Notary Public



State of Georgia, County of Gordon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mrs Mary E Hunt who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 51 years old, and is a citizen of Said State and County and that she is personally acquainted with Amanda Greene who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Amanda is the identical

person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship. She is fifty one years old, was born in Slanny to Jamies Moss of Spartanburg Dist S.C. Her mother was Elin who of late was known as Elin Brown and lived until 1894. Elin's mother was Flora Moss who was a half blood Cherokee girl and who lived to a great age. Elin is evidently an Indian. She has all the race features - Long black straight hair - black eyes - Red complexion, high cheek bones -

Affiant further states that she has known the said Amanda for the past childhood years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Amanda indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Amanda is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Amanda to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mrs Mary E Hunt

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

T W Martin  
Ordinary.

Dartmouth Co. 8-

4908 327

Amada Lester et al  
vs

Cherokee Nation

Original

Filed 2/8/26

St. W. January  
Day

Rexford

Wm. Harris Jr  
Clerk of Court

**End**





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Nation's No.

4818

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Arthur Higgins*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Oruben Higgins*

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*John B. Blair* through whom the petitioner *claims to derive* *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. Bulag* *Attorneys.*  
*John B. Blair*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*15* day of *Oct*

1896.

*J. S. Danforth*

NOTARY PUBLIC



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

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No. 498 Rec'd

*Johnston*

addressed to *J. Mayra*  
*Salisbury*  
*La Grange, N.Y.*

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To the Honorable ~~National Council~~ <sup>Darius Commission of Vinita</sup> of Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, your petitioner, this day makes this  
Application for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation in the Ind. Ter., in accordance with the  
Constitution and Laws of said Nation, and respectfully makes the following statement of the grounds of  
this his Application, to-wit:

That the grand son of one  
Slides Storms who the undersigned fully believes was an Indian belonging to said tribe.

The undersigned hereby presents the above facts as the lawful grounds for this his  
Application for Cherokee Citizenship by blood, and respectfully awaits the time when  
his Application shall be truly heard and tried. Respectfully submitted.

Age 46 years; Postoffice Spring Place Ga

Family, with their relationship attached, is as follows:

NO.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
	<u>Henry Huggins</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>son</u>
	<u>Carol</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>"</u>
	<u>James</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>"</u>
	<u>Chas</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>"</u>
	<u>Joseph</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>daughter</u>
	<u>Joseph</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>"</u>
	<u>Bessie</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>son</u>
	<u>Luther</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>

In witness of which application I hereunto set my hand this 29 day of August 1894.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 day of August 1894.

J. W. Morris & Co.  
CHAS. B. FONTAINE, Attorney.

Robert H. Huggins  
mark

ARGUS PRINT, VAN BUREN, ARK.

I would & subscribed  
before notary August 29/94.  
J. J. Cobey, Ordinary

Valves Com at 7:30

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The son

and hereby presents  
**Chevrolet**

Very Respectfully,  
 Mary Jane Ken

NO.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.

29 day of April

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
J. H. Kaine, Notary.  
CHAS. B. FONTAINE, Attorney.

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J. H. Huggins  
by R. H. Huggins, Jr.  
mark

ABOVE PRINT, Van Buren, Ark



State of Georgia, County of Gordon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared R. Storms who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 61 years old, and is a citizen of Gordon County and that he is personally acquainted with Benj. and Ruf. Huggins who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Benj. & Ruf. Huggins are the identical persons they represents them self to be in their application for such citizenship.

Affiant has known applicant about 21 years. and them on the great-grand sons of Slides Storms who was a free bred Cherokee Indian his son the mother of applicant was Louis Storms, & married Dan Huggins, the father of applicant

Affiant further states that he has known the said Benj. & Ruf. Huggins for the past 39 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Benj. & Ruf. Huggins indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Benj. & Ruf. Huggins of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said he to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 7 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

R. Storms  
Deputy Justice  
J. J. Luby, Ordinary  
R. A. Dodel

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of \_\_\_\_\_

Rubin Huggins & Jack Huggins  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My com. Expires  
March 6-1899

J. W. Harris  
Odessa

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA
Registered Letter No.	519
of	J. W. Harris
addressed to	S. H. Mayes
	Tahlequah Ind. Ter.
	Cherokee Nation

Monday 13th

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Ruben Huggins et al  
vs  
The Cherokee Nation

Original

Filed 2/8/96

At the January  
Term

Respectfully

Wm. H. Carter  
Carterville Ga



**End**

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Nation's No. 4754-

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Mary M. Hornsby  
et al.

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

SEC,



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mary M. Harman*  
*et al*

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his *former* demurrer, but *insisting* upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Thomas Fox*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *S. H. Mayes* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
*John B. Davis* *William M. Gueary* Attorneys.  
John B. Davis, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *16* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*J. S. Doniphan*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *Henry Clay Barritt*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *M. M. Womack*

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits *attached*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

*My com. expires  
March 6-1896.*

*J. H. Harris*

*O. Decker*

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter No. <i>512</i>	SEP 8 1896
Parcel	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter. 189
of	<i>J. H. Harris</i>
addressed to	<i>J. H. Mayes</i>
	<i>Tahlequah, Ind.</i>
	<i>P. M.</i>

GEORGIA,

Paulding COUNTY.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, H. L. Owens, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the day of Jan, 1855, J. Williams  
was appointed N.D. in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the day of Jan  
1855, and ending on the 25 day of Feb, 1855; and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed

the seal of said Court, at Palmer Ga

on this the 4 day of Sept, 1856

H. L. Owens, Clerk.



## APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Mary M. Womack makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one Thomas Tait and the grand of one Mary Tait and the great grand daughter of one One Half who your petitioner firmly believes was Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 38 years of age, his postoffice address is Huntsville, Paulding Co. Ga. and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>J. H. Womack</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Husband</u>
<u>John W</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Wm S.</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Thos J.</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Jas. O.</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Mattie S.</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Minnie S.</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Ruben O</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Lizzie</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Mary M. Womack  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Paulding

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 3-4, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. Williams N. P. S. G.

CERTIFICATE TO J. P. OR N. P.

Marshall & Bruce, Stationers, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGIA,

Panola COUNTY.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, H. L. Owens, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the 28 day of May, 1878, H. N. Hagler  
was Electer J.P. in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the 1st day of March  
1873, and ending on the 1st day of March, 1877; and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of said Court, at Nashville Ga  
on this the 4 day of Sept, 1876  
H. L. Owens, Clerk.

State of Ga, County of Paulding

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Henry Dodd who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 77 years old, and is a citizen of Paulding County and that he is personally acquainted with Mary M. Womack who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary M. Womack is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Mary M. Womack the wife of J. A. Womack & they have eight children. She is the daughter of Thomas Tait who was the son of one Mary Tait. Mary Tait is the daughter of Nancy Tait who was recognized to be one half <sup>Cherokee</sup> Indian by blood and that she was considered by the Cherokee Indians as one of the tribe & lived with them.

That said Nancy Tait had long black hair, high cheek bones & the dark complexion of an Indian & always boasted of her Indian blood. I have known these people all my life & know personally that the facts stated above are true.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mary M. Womack <sup>all his life</sup> ~~for the past~~ years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary M. Womack indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary M. Womack is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary M. Womack to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Henry Dodd  
J. M. D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4th day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

H. N. Hagins J. M.



CERTIFICATE TO J. P. OR N. P.

Marshall & Bruce, Stationers, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGIA.

*Paulding* COUNTY. }

CLERK'S OFFICE, SUPERIOR COURT.

I, *H. L. Owen*, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that  
on the *28* day of *July*, 18*83*, *H. N. Hagin*  
was *Electd J. P.* in and for said County, duly qualified and  
commissioned, for a term of office beginning on the *1st* day of *March*  
18*83*, and ending on the *1st* day of *March*, 18*87*; and his official  
acts are entitled to full faith and credit. His signature, as it appears to the attached  
instrument, is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of said Court, at *Dallas, Ga*  
on this the *4* day of *Sept*, 18*86*  
*H. L. Owen*, Clerk.

State of Ga, County of Paulding

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Elijah Forsythe who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 88 years old, and is a citizen of Paulding Co. and that he is personally acquainted with Mary M. Womack who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary M. Womack is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That she is the daughter of Thomas Taut who was the son of Mary Taut and Mary Taut was the daughter of Nancy Taut: who was one half Cherokee Indian by blood - That said Mary Taut was recognized by the Cherokee Indians as one of the tribe and lived with them - That said Mary Taut's <sup>mother</sup> had all the racial features of an Indian and often boasted of her Indian blood - I know these facts personally as I lived among the Indians & knew them -

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mary M. Womack all her life for the past years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary M. Womack indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary M. Womack is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary M. Womack to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Elijah Forsythe  
Jurat

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 4th day of Sept 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

H. N. Hagins, Jr.

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To  
The Cherokee Nation

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Nation's No.

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Commission's No.

In re Application of

*James S. McGowan*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

H. M. JACOBWAY

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
John L. Adair  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
William M. Buckner and James L. Adair Attorneys.  
John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct, 1896.

W. B. Boyer  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

# State of Georgia County of Pickens APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned George R. McGaha makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Sam McGaha and the grand son of one Rebecca McGaha and the great-grand son of one Moses Paul who your petitioner firmly believes was one half Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

My great great-grand father  
Sam Paul belonged to the tribe and his name should be on the census rolls of the Cherokee Indians

Your petitioner is 21 years of age, his postoffice address is Wash. Co. Ga and 2117 family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
<u>George R. McGaha</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>he</u>
<u>Ethel McGaha</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>daughter</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

George R. McGaha  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Pickens

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of Sept, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. J. Corcoran ordinary

State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Rebecca Megaha who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 65 years old, and is a citizen of Pickens Co and that she is personally acquainted with George R. Megaha who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicant is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

I am personally acquainted with George R. Megaha who is the son of Wm. Megaha and the grand son of R. D. Megaha who <sup>is the son of</sup> Rebecca Paul who father was one half Cherokee Indian by blood and that Mrs. Paul's father Wm. Paul belong the Cherokee Tribe and was so acknowledged and his name on the names of his ancestors should appear on the Census rolls of the Cherokee Indians.

Affiant further states that she has known the said applicant <sup>all his life</sup> for the past years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Rebecca L. Megaha  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3rd day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know she to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

C. J. Levinson, ordinary



State of Georgia, County of Pickens

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared R D Melgaha who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 71 years old, and is a citizen of Pickens Co and that he is personally acquainted with George R Melgaha who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicant is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

I am personally acquainted with G. R. Melgaha who is the grand son of Rebecca Melgaha and the great-grand son of Moses Pool who was part-Cherokee Indian by blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicant all his life for the past years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

R D Melgaha  
notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

W J Cornelson ordinary

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

*James H. Harris*  
I, ~~Henry Clay Harris~~, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Gump R. McGaha

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of those attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

*my com. expires  
March 6-1899.*

*J. D. Harris*

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA
Registered Letter Parcel No.	521
of	<i>J. H. Harris</i>
addressed to	<i>S. H. Mayes Tahlequah, Ind. Cherokee Nation</i>

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Pickens Co Ga

S. R. McGaha  
vs  
Cherokee Nation

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H. W. Jacobson  
Deputy

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M. Harris Jr  
Cartersville Ga



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Nation's No.

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Commission's No.

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In re Application of

*Anna M. Galdie*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JADWAY-



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Anna M. Goss*  
*et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Anna M. Goss* through whom the petitioner claims to derive her right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hastings, Hutchins & Randall* Attorneys.  
*John Adams*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*William M. Gula*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct*, 1896.  
*J. H. Donahue*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CARANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Anna M. Gaudin makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of one James Gaudin and the Samuel Gaudin  
and the James Gaudin and the James Gaudin  
of one John McDaniel who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 58 years of age, his post office address is Ellijay Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Richard Louis  
A. Gaudin - son James W 34 years old son  
Cornelia D age 34 years Miller age 32  
years Alexander age 29 - years Evelyn age  
27 years Miller age 25 - years Joe age 23  
years Annette age 22 - years and applicant  
claiming the blood through her grandfather  
John McDaniel

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Anna M. Gaudin  
By J. W. HARRIS, Jr., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Anna M. Gaudin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 17, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

W. H. Harris, Jr.  
Notary Public  
Ellijay Ga



Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Frederick Wright who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 50 years old, and is a citizen of Elizabethton Tenn and that she is personally acquainted with Anna M. Suddles who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Anna M. Suddles is the identical person she represents herself to be in her application for such citizenship. That she is the daughter of Mr. Suddles and Lou Suddles the son - Suddles the mother of affiant was the daughter Miss McDaniel and Miss McDaniel that the children of Miss McDaniel were always recognized and treated as Cherokee in the community where they lived and the son Suddles that Lou Suddles the mother of affiant was recognized as having Cherokee blood

Affiant further states that she has known the said Anna M. Suddles for the past 40 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Anna M. Suddles indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Anna M. Suddles is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Anna M. Suddles to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Frederick Wright  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Alfred Gibson  
Deputy



states that he is 48 years old, and is a citizen of Elizy, La  
and that he is personally acquainted with Samuel

that said Amanda Gaddis is the daughter  
of Wm and Lou Gaddis, the son Gaddis  
was the daughter of Alex and Celia  
McDaniel that said Alex and Celia McDaniel  
were of Cherokee Indian blood and were  
so recognized in the community where  
they lived in North Carolina and I was  
acquainted with the family and know that  
they were treated as having Cherokee  
Indian blood and I understand that Alex  
McDaniel was on the roll of the  
Cherokee tribe and was paid as such  
in North Carolina for the bounty  
on the children of the Cherokee people  
and I am sure that the same was paid in

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

I. H. Gaddis

Al Johnson  
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REGISTRY RECEIPT.  
 Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered <sup>Letter</sup> ~~Parcel~~ } No. 499 Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_  
 of J. H. Harris  
 addressed to J. H. Harris  
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Anna M. Gaddis

To

The Cherokee Nation

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Filed 2/8/26

W. M. Jennings  
Secy.

Accepted

W. M. Jennings  
Chattanooga, Tenn.



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Nation's No.

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Commission's No.

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In re Application of

*Simon P. X...*

Demurrer and Answer.

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JANUARY-



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Demure J. Smith*

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. Snuggs* Attorneys.

*John L. Adams*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*William M. Snuggs*  
*J. D. Dorr*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Simon Printup makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Minnie Printup and the daughter of one Hizzie Printup and the daughter of one Ack Roe who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 39 years of age, his postoffice address is Lenoirville P. O. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Robert Lee Printup</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Son of Applicant</u>
<u>J. P. Printup</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Wells Printup</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Daughter " "</u>
<u>Mary Printup</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
<u>Arkane Printup</u>	<u>4 months</u>	<u>" " " "</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Simon Printup

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Gordon

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Simon Printup

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

J. W. Harris, Ordinary.

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State of Georgia, County of Gordon

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Jim Printup & A. S. Kelly who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 70 years old, and is a citizen of Gordon Co. Ga Calhoun P.C. and that he is personally acquainted with Simon Printup who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Simon Printup is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

also that Simon Printup is a son of Mintie Printup and is a daughter of Kizzie Printup and she a daughter of Dick Roe who was known to be of Cherokee Indian blood  
Mrs Kelly, affiant from her home -  
Mrs A. S. Kelly says she knew Simon Printup a son of Mintie Printup who was a daughter of Kizzie Printup who was one half Cherokee Indian blood which was generally known

Affiant further states that they have known the said Simon Printup for the past 39 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Simon Printup indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Simon Printup is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Simon Printup to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Jim Printup  
A. S. Kelly

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1911, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. M. Harbui, Ord.

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Simon P. Mayes

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March - 6 - 1899.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.		
Post Office at	VINITA	
Registered Letter	No. <u>502</u>	Rec'd <u>SEP 8 1896</u>
of	<u>J. M. Harris</u>	
addressed to	<u>J. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah Ok</u> <u>A. H. Mayes P.M.</u>	

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J. J. Bates

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J. J. Bates & al

vs

Cherokee Nation

Original

Filed 2/8/96

H. W. Janaway  
Deputy

Respectfully

Wm. H. & Co. Tenn. Co.

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *Henry Clay Harris*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the *8* day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *J. J. Bates et al under*  
*John Com*  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of *theto attached*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this *8* day of September, 1896.

*My Comm. Expire*  
*Sept 1 - 1899*

*H. C. Harris*

*D. D. Wheeler*

REGISTRY RECEIPT	
SEP 8 1896	
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.	
Post Office at	
Registered Letter Parcel No.	<i>500</i> Rec'd _____, 189
of	<i>J. J. Harris</i>
addressed to	<i>J. H. Mayes</i> <i>Tahlequah, Ind.</i> <i>D. D. Wheeler</i> P. M.



Application for Citizenship

To the Hon Henry L Davis, Frank  
C. Armstrong, Archibald D. McKinnon  
Thomas B. Coburn, and Alexander B.  
Armstrong, United States Commissioner  
or charged by an act of Congress June  
4th 1894 to hear and determine claims for  
citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
The undersigned Judge J. Bates now  
this Application for admission to  
citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
in the Indian Territory as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood. in accordance  
with the act of Congress and the  
laws of the Cherokee Nation &  
respectfully submits the following  
facts as the grounds of his claim  
to wit. The he is the great-grand  
son of one Millie Parish the grand  
daughter of one Benjamin West who  
married the daughter of Millie Parish  
(who's given name applicant does not  
remember.) and the son of one  
Julius Bates, the father who gave  
petitioner for my belief as a  
Quarter-blood Cherokee Indian by  
blood, and duly acknowledged  
member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians  
and from whom petitioner derived  
his Indian blood uttering him

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
 that the names of said ancestors  
 should be found to appear on  
 the Census rolls of on the Cherokee  
 East of the Mississippi river  
 Your Petitioner is 38 years old  
 his post office address is  
 Spring Place Ga and his  
 family by virtue of Cherokee  
 blood is as follows: Lillie Bates  
 wife age 26 yrs.  
 Bonnie O Bates daughter age 8 yrs.  
 Verbia " " " 6 "  
 Johnnie " " " 4 "  
 Sallie Berneta " " " 2 "  
 Your Petitioner herewith submits  
 the proofs of this application and  
 respectfully awaits its determination

J. J. Bates  
 J. W. Morris & Atty for  
 Petitioner

Georgia Murray Baum  
 Do or swear that the facts set forth  
 in the above and foregoing petition  
 are true to the best of your knowledge  
 and belief so help you God.  
 J. J. Bates

Sworn to and subscribe before  
me the Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1874 and I certify  
that the petition is sworn to me  
as the person he represents himself  
to be in his belief and is a  
person of good character and  
worthy of credit. J. J. Doby. Ordinary



State of Ill, County of Monroe

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John L. Dudley & B. J. Edwards who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 86 & 99 years old, and is a citizen of Whitfield.

County and that he is personally acquainted with Judge J. Bates who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Judge J. Bates is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant was acquainted with the great-grand mother mother of Affiant whose name was Millie Parish her daughter married one Benj. Heath whose daughter Lempie married one John Bates the father of Affiant. Affiant knows the great-grand mother of Affiant well & knows that she was a quarter-breed of half-breed Cherokee Indian.

Affiant further states that he has known the said for the past 36 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said indicates the Indian type.

That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that

has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. L. Dudley  
B. J. Edwards

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of August, 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Cohey, Ordinary

**End**





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Nation's No.

4913

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Van Bryant

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

Sec.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Van B. Smith*

Nation's No. *4413*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*S. H. Mayes*  
through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. McGuire* *Attorneys.*  
*Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the*  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*15* day of *Oct*

1896.

*J. D. Doughty*

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The Cherokee Nation

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**APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.**

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners,  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Sam Bryant makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Peter Hayes a Red blooded Christian Indian of one and the of one who your petitioner firmly believes was

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 60 years of age, his postoffice address is Certsville Ca  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
Leonard Bryant	18	Son
Mary Ann "	14	Daughter
Charles "	9	"
Forest "	7	Son

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination

Van Buren

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney

STATE OF Gu, COUNTY OF Barton

\_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF Pa. rows  
 You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
 knowledge and belief to help you God  
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Knowledge and belief to help your Cook  
*Has B. Sather*  
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 29, 1890, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
 to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
 of credit.

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State of Arkansas, County of Logan

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Todd Bryant who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 68 years old, and is a citizen of Floyd Co. La and that he is personally acquainted with Van Bryant who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Van Bryant is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

On my father's plantation in North Carolina near Raleigh lived Sallie a negro woman slave of my father some 60 years ago. She lived with Peter Hayes & had a son by him who is Van Bryant the applicant. Peter Hayes was employed as overseer of the farm by my father Roland Bryant. Peter was well known to me. He was a full blooded Cherokee Indian and was recognized as such by the Cherokees. I know this to be true. Peter admitted the paternity of Van and Van shows the Indian blood in his appearance.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Van Bryant for the past 60 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Van indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Van is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Van to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Todd Bryant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3 day of September 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

E. P. McAdaway  
Notary Public & Justice of the Peace.



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, John Harris  
of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Van Bryan.

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of Thuto attached.

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8th day of September, 1896.

my com. Exp's  
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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at VINITA  
Registered Letter No. 499 Rec'd 189  
of John Harris  
addressed to S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah Ind  
A. H. Freyer L.P.



**End**

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Nation's No.

4846

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Scott H. Thomas

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,

H. M. JACOWAY-

SEC,



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Scott Thomas*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant...  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that...

...through whom the petitioner... claim to derive... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *S. H. Mayes*, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
*John L. Adair*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*J. S. Denny*  
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APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To The Honorable Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKim, Thomas L. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Armstrong, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Sarah Kempf <sup>ast. Scott Thomas</sup> makes this application for admission for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following, in support of this claim to-wit:

That she is the Daughter of one Philip Smith and the Grand Daughter of one Smith and the Who went west with the Cherokee Indians in 1836. and your petitioner truly believes was a full Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitled her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the Census rolls of the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 48 years of age, his post office address is Auburn Ga. and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Will Kempf son aged 25 years, Green Kempf son aged 22, Lizzie Kempf daughter aged 18, Alvin Kempf son aged 16. My husband's name is Gregg Kempf

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Scott Thomas  
By J. W. Harris, Jr., Atty.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Forrest

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Scott Thomas  
Sept 3d 1896.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 3d 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

H. L. Hanks  
Ordinary



and determine claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That he is the Son of one Phillip Smith  
and the Grand Son of one Smith and the  
Who went west with the Lebanese Indians in 1838  
who your petitioner firmly believes

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the Census rolls on the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Franklin  
 You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing  
 petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help  
 you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2 day of Sept. 1896,  
and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical  
person represented in his petition and is a person of good  
character and worthy of credit.

My Commission Expires on 12-15-2011

JOSEPH E. BYERS, Attorney at Law

and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
authorized and authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1898, to pass  
Kennon, Thomas B. Carpenter and Alexander B. Williams, United States Com-

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Waller

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, to and for the county and state aforesaid  
personally appeared T. M. Smith who, after being duly sworn, deposes that he is 72 years of age, and is a citizen of Georgia  
County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Sarah Camp

Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T., and affiant further states  
that the said Sarah Camp is the identical person she represents

her to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said  
Sarah Camp is about one  
fourth Indian blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said Sarah Camp  
for the past 45 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her  
neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having one fourth Indian blood  
and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Sarah Camp  
indicate that the said Sarah Camp is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and  
circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Sarah Camp  
Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Sarah Camp  
is of one fourth Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim  
of the said Sarah Camp to citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Sept A. D. 1898  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said T. M. Smith  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
T. M. Smith

My Commission Expires on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public. 1898  
JOSEPH P. BYERS Attorney at Law.



BEFORE ME THE

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF Walton ss.

BEFORE ME, THE undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared T. K. Smith who, after being by W. B. Treadwell duly sworn, states that he is 72 years of age, and is a citizen of Walton County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Scott Thomas

Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Scott Thomas is the identical person he represents

himself to be in his application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said Scott Thomas is about one fourth Indian blood

Affiant further states that he has known the said Scott Thomas for the past 44 years and knows that he is and has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having one fourth Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Scott Thomas indicate that the said Scott Thomas is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Scott Thomas Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Scott Thomas is of one fourth Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Scott Thomas to citizenship in the Indian Nation, I. T.

T. K. Smith  
Notary Public

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Sept A. D. 1896  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said T. K. & J. Smith  
and know them to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity  
W. B. Treadwell Notary Public. 30

My Commission Expires on the

JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law.



BEFORE ME THE

CAPLAIN OF  
COURT

WILLIAM H. MILLER

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Deot Thomas et al under same cover

and

and of the affidavits of attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My comm. Expires  
March - 6 - 1899

W. H. Miller  
Notary Public

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter No.	496
Rec'd	SEP 8 1896
of	<u>J. H. Mayes</u>
addressed to	<u>Tahlequah</u>
	<u>Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.</u>
	<u>P. M.</u>

**End**





United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Barber Ann Morrison et al  
Julia Samm Carr  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of Thurto Allen

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March 1-1897

W. D. Russell

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA
Registered Letter No. <u>515</u>	Rec'd <u>SEP 8 1896</u> 189
of <u>J. H. Harris</u>	Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
addressed to <u>S. H. Mayes</u>	
<u>Tahlequah</u>	
<u>O. A. Thompson</u>	P. M.

To the Hon Henry Deane Frank  
Amusing, Archibald S. McKinnon  
Thomas B. Caborn & Alexander Amusing  
No. 1000, authorized by Congress  
by an act June 1846 to hear and determine  
claims for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation &c.

The undersigned Barber Ann  
Morrison age 40 years. And  
Jane Boyer age 42 years,  
Bertha Droule age 38 years.  
Marian Orr age 36 years  
who are all sisters and  
the daughter of Mary Sumner  
& Mary Ann Sumner who was  
a daughter of J. H. H. Nelson  
who was a son of J. H. H. Nelson  
who gave petitions formerly before  
was a full blood Cherokee  
Indian. I duly acknowledge  
member of the Cherokee tribe of  
Cherokee Indian and from  
whom petitions demand the  
Indian blood and willing them  
to citizenship in the Cherokee nation  
that the names of said persons  
should appear on roll on the  
Cherokee East of the Mississippi  
River

The family of Benby Ann Morrison  
are as follows.

Lam. Morrison daughter age	17
Mary " " "	18
Jennie " " "	6
James Banks, no children	
Delia Purcell	
Emma James daughter age	17
Ellen " " "	14
Tom " son "	12
John " " "	9
James " " "	7
Willie " daughter "	8
Worth Orr	
Louisa Orr, daughter age	18
<del>Ben</del> " " "	12
Jan " son "	8
Cora daughter age	6
Bertie " "	3
Stella " "	1

I am petitioner herewith submit  
the proofs of the application and  
respectfully request it to be determined  
sworn to and subscribed before me  
this the 31 day of August 1896

J. J. Roby	Ordinary	Deed of Wills	{ Le 83 }
		James Banks	{ Le 83 }
		Martha Cora	{ Le 83 }
		Barbara Morrison	{ Le 83 }



Dea Mary Leavitt

You & each of you as I mean that  
the fact - at fact in the above  
& foregoing petition are true to  
the best of your knowledge  
and believe to help you God

Done to & subscribed before

me this August 31/1844

I hereby certify that the petitioners  
are known to me as the several  
persons they represent themselves to be  
in this petition are persons  
of good character and worthy  
of belief.

State of Georgia, County of Murray

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Mary E. Devell Devin who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 67 years old, and is a citizen of North Carolina and that she is personally acquainted with Boston who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicant is the identical person she represents her self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Affiant have known them all times & know that they are separated and the daughter of Henry Sumner who married Mary Ann Hellon who was a daughter of J. Hellon & who was son of J. Hellon & M. V. Dain of Hellon who was born away from descent with the Indian & who was of full blood Cherokee Indian.

Affiant further states that she has known the said applicant for the past 40 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary E. Devell  
Devin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of April 1898, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Z. J. O'Byrne, Ordinary

Use Henry Cullen  
 Before he comes W & Brie  
 and depositions that who depositions  
 & say & wish that they are  
 personally acquainted with  
 William Henry Cullen, and  
 know that he is the son  
 of Jane, formerly now, Jane  
 Banks. Said William H Cullen  
 was born before the said  
 Jane Banks was married  
 Affiant knows that applicant  
 is the grand son of Henry  
 Cullen & Mary Ann Cullen,  
 the said Mary Ann Cullen was  
 the daughter of Helen Nelson  
 who a full blood Indian  
 Indian Affiant knows now  
 the said W H Cullen all his life  
 and from his appearance, and  
 complexion they believe  
 that he has Indian blood  
 in them. They have no interest  
 in the possession of said claim  
 that I know the facts set forth  
 sworn to & subscribed before  
 this day 21/84 J. Mary E. Jewel  
 L. J. Roby, Ordinary J. Cullen & Brie



Andrew Murray

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No 2924 337

Murray Co. Ga

Barber and Morrison  
et al

<sup>vs</sup>  
The Cherokee Nation

Original

Filed 9/8/86

W. H. Lawrence  
Deputy

Repealed

Amended for Easternville Ga

Application for Citizenship

To the Hon. W. D. Davis, of  
Indian Affairs, Cherokee Nation  
The undersigned, Andrew Ouning,  
who makes his application for  
citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
as a Cherokee by Indian blood,  
in accordance with the Act of  
Congress, the laws of the Cherokee  
Nation & respectfully submits.

The following facts as the ground  
of his claim to wit

That he is the son of Henry &  
Mary Ann Ouning - Their said  
Mary Ann Ouning is the daughter  
of John Nelson & the grand daughter  
of John Nelson or who was  
born off from his cousin  
with Indian & who was of a  
full blood Cherokee Indian  
whose name should appear on  
the census roll of the Cherokee  
Indian east of the Mississippi  
River. His birth date  
age is 27 yrs. and post office  
address is Lenoir Creek Indian  
Reservation his family by virtue of  
Cherokee Indian blood is as follows above  
set forth.

My eldest is Will Henry Ouning



who age is six years  
James E. Sumner son age 4 years  
of the B " " 2 "  
from testimony subject.  
He is the proof of the application  
and respectfully awaits its determination  
William Sumner

Dear Mr. Sumner,  
You do know that the facts  
set forth in the above and  
forgoing testimony are to the  
best of my knowledge and belief  
true and correct.

William Sumner  
Done to & subscribed  
on the 31/8/86 & certify that  
the applicant is the person he  
represents himself to be in his  
petition for citizenship in  
the District of Columbia  
& is a person of good character  
& worthy of belief  
This 31/8/86 J. J. Coby, Ordinary



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The day 31/8/96 & J. Cobey, Ordinary

State of Illinois, County of Monroe

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared M. E. Bercey Demerius Rich who after being duly sworn by me, states that they are 57-57 years old, and is a citizen of Illinois County of Monroe and that they are personally acquainted with Andrew Sumner who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Andrew Sumner is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

affiant have known Andrew Sumner 27 years and knows that he is the son of Henry Sumner who married Mary Ann Hellon who the daughter of J. Hilo Hellon who came to the area from the South where the Sumners were born and that Andrew Sumner is of Indian blood and is a good man and is the son of J. Hilo Hellon.

Affiant further states that they have known the said Andrew Sumner for the past 27 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Andrew Sumner indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Andrew Sumner is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Andrew Sumner to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Mary Bercey  
Demerius Rich

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know them to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Cobey, Ordinary

**End**





V  
Nation's No. 4787  
Commission's No. 337

In re Application of  
Olmstead A. Powell

Demurrer and Answer.

H. M. J. A. W. T.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

Clorissa A. Powell

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant..... is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By William M. McGuire and John L. Adams Attorneys.  
John L. Adams, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct 1896.

William M. McGuire  
John L. Adams  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Farmers Co. Ga

No. 2920

Col. Powell et al

The Cherokee Nation

Original

Feb 9/8/26

H. M. Jacoby

*Rejected*

Bartholomew Co.



State of North Carolina, County of Cherokee

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Martha A. Meroney who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 62 years old, and is a citizen of Cherokee County, North Carolina and that she is personally acquainted with James E. Powell and John C. Powell who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said James E. Powell and John C. Powell are the identical person they represent themselves to be in this application for such citizenship.

That said James E. Powell and John C. Powell are sons of Frank Powell who was a son of Polly Powell who was a daughter of John Welch. The said John Welch was a one-half blood Cherokee Indian, making Frank Powell one-fourth and Frank Powell one-eighth and the applicants 1/16 each Indian blood.

Affiant further states that she has known the said James E. Powell & John C. Powell for the past 15 years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by their neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said James E. Powell & John C. Powell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew them longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John C. Powell & James E. Powell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Martha A. Meroney

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. S. Watte Clerk Sup. Court  
by D. W. Drucias, Dep. Clerk

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of C. A. Powell et al

under same cover  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of thirties attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My com. Exp's  
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J. H. Harris  
D. D. Harris

REGISTRY RECEIPT.			
Post Office at	VINITA, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.		
Registered Letter Parcel	No. <u>514</u>	Rec'd	SEP 8 1896
of	<u>J. H. Harris</u>		
addressed to	<u>J. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah Ind</u> <u>D. D. Harris</u>		

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Clarissa A. Powell makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the Wife of one Frank Powell who was a son of one Mary Powell and the Grand Son of one John Welch who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Wash. Joe. Robert. Mary W. C. Martha Cornelia. Brothers & Sisters of my husband are citizens of Cherokee Nation

Your petitioner is 47 years of age, her postoffice address is Morgantown, Pa. and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
<u>J. C. Powell</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>J. C. Powell</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Clarissa A. Powell

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Tanner


You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Clarissa A. Powell



Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

S. H. Leitch, Attorney  
Franklin Co. Ga.



  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE.  
BOON CRAWFORD, CHAIRMAN,  
MORGANTON, GA.  
HYMEN RICHARDSON, SECRETARY,  
GAINESVILLE, GA.  


HEADQUARTERS  
Republican Dist. Executive Committee  
NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF GEORGIA.  
Republican County Executive Committee,  
FANNIN COUNTY, GEORGIA.

  
COUNTY COMMITTEE.  
BOON CRAWFORD, CHAIRMAN,  
GAINESVILLE, GA.  
J. F. MCNELLEY, SECRETARY,  
MINERAL BLUFF, GA.  


Morganton, Ga., Sept 7 1896

J. W. Harris, Jr.,  
atty at Law  
Cartersville Ga.,

Sir:

I have enclosed my application  
I have forwarded I want to my brother  
in Atlanta. My uncle Wash. & my  
Aunt Mary, Martha & Cornelia Arnold live  
at Groe S.T., My Aunt Vic Arnold  
lives in Chelsea, about 20 miles N. Vinita  
My uncle Bob lives between Vinita  
& Adair. You can get any proofs  
from them that you desire. I  
will forward Affidavits this week.  
My uncle Joe Powell, lives near  
Hanson. Wm McKee, of Tahlequah  
can make good proof for me. I have  
a host of kin on the Welch side in  
the Nation but don't know their address.  
If you need anything else let me know.  
Respectfully,  
J. C. Powell

I also enclose application  
of my mother C. A. Purcell. If you  
can do anything with it. If it  
needs any corrections you will  
please make them or forward back to  
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# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned John C. Pearce makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son  
Francis Courlee and the grand son of one  
Mary Courlee and the great grand son of one  
John Welch who your petitioner firmly believes was  
free Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
 Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

My uncles Joe, Bob, Mary, and Aunts  
Mona, Vic, and the Cornelia  
H. good are citizens of Cherokee Nation  
I. S.

Your petitioner is 23 years of age, his postoffice address is Morgantown, Pa.  
and \_\_\_\_\_ family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

[illegible]

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Jannin

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 13, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worth of credit.

L. G. Richter, Ordinary  
Farming Co., Ga.



State of Georgia, County of Tammie

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared James Withrow who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 71 years old, and is a citizen of Morganton Tammie, Calhoun and that he is personally acquainted with Ed. J. Powell who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Ed. J. Powell is the identical person who represents himself to be in their application for such citizenship.

Ed. J. Powell was personally acquainted with Frank Powell, husband of Clarissa A. Powell, and father of Vernette & John C. Powell, who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Ed. J. Powell from their birth years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Ed. J. Powell indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Ed. J. Powell is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Ed. J. Powell to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

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James Withrow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3 day of Sept 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Seal

W. Smith NP & JP

**End**





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**Nation's No.**

Commission's No.

### In re Application of

In re Application of  
Jm. A. Jr.

Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cebanico, and  
A. S. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Fred Wright et al*

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his right to answer, but limiting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

through whom the petitioner claims to derive this right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory, as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

IN RE APPLICATION OF  
COMMISSION'S NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
NATION'S NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *S. H. Mayes*, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
*John C. Smith*, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Dec, 1906.  
*John C. Smith*

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, Friedrich Wright make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Solomon Wright and Mary Wright the daughter of Huts Johnson of one

who your petitioner firmly believes was ..... Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 79 years of age, his postoffice address is Elgin, Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Wife Fannie Wright - Daughter Barlow Wright age 42 years  
Mary M. age 40 - Sarah age 38 years  
Son Monroe 33 years old

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits a decision.

Friedrich Wright  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

## STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that Friedrich Wright is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

Alfred Johnson Attorney



State of Georgia, County of Elbert

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Fannie Wright who after being duly sworn by me, states that she is 45 years old, and is a citizen of Elbert County Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with Fredrick Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Fredrick Wright is the identical person she represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship. That said Fredrick Wright is the son of Solomon Wright & Mary Wright whose maiden name was Mary Wilson - who was always the daughter of Wm. J. Wilson the Cherokee blood originated that the Wilson family was always recognized by their neighbors and acknowledged by themselves as the community where they lived as being members of the Cherokee tribe & Indians and their children and grandchildren also was treated as being of the Indian type that said Fredrick Wright has always been certain knowledge been counted and treated as a Cherokee Indian that the blood originated in the Wilson family.

Affiant further states that she has known the said Fredrick Wright for the past 55 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Fredrick Wright indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Fredrick Wright is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Fredrick Wright to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Fannie Wright  
Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Wm. Johnson  
Notary

State of Georgia, County of Bibb

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared L. N. Gaddis who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 48 years old, and is a citizen of Bibb County and that he is personally acquainted with Fredrick Wright who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Fredrick Wright is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

That said Fredrick Wright was the son of Solomon Wright; that he was personally acquainted with Solomon Wright the father of Fredrick Wright; that the mother of Fredrick Wright was Mary Wehunt who was married to the father of said Fredrick Wright and was the mother of said Fredrick Wright. He recognized her in the community when she lived all after she married Solomon Wright as being of the Cherokee tribe of Williams. I have personally known Mary Wehunt of him for more than fifty years and know that she was treated by her neighbors as being of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Fredrick Wright for the past 50 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Fredrick Wright indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Fredrick Wright is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Fredrick Wright to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

L. N. Gaddis

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 21 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

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Cherokee Nation

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Amos  
Cantersville, Pa.



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained

true copies of the application of Fredrick Wright and others under same cover  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached thereto  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

in support of same. Henry Clay Barritt

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
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REGISTRY RECEIPT.		
Post Office at	VINITA.	
Registered Letter Parcel No.	495	Rec'd
of	<u>Henry Clay Barritt</u>	
addressed to	<u>S. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u> <u>Cherokee Nation</u>	

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Nation's No. 48352

Commissioner's No.

In re Application of

*B. H. ...*

Demurrer and

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H. M. JACOBI

Commissioner's No.

Relief No.

... T. B. ...

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of John B. Mayes  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.  
2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ through whom the petitioner claims to derive \_\_\_\_\_ right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
John B. Mayes, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct, 1896.

John B. Mayes  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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J. Edwards et al

The Cherokee Nation

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A. W. Johnson  
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Johnston &  
Cartersville Ga



United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of

B. J. Edwards et al under same cover  
and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits attached  
\_\_\_\_\_

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

My com. Expi.

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J. W. Harris  
O. D. Merrill

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Letter Parcel

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addressed to \_\_\_\_\_

S. H. Mayes  
Tahlequah, Ind.  
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

VINITA,

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Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

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TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned B. J. Edwards makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one Henry Edwards, + wife Pally Edwards, of one  
his said Pally Edwards by mother av  
of one her mother's maiden was Pally Redbird and the  
of one full blood who your petitioner firmly believes was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 99 years of age, his post office address is Sullivan Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Mattie Redbird  
Edwards age 11, age 8, Sam Edwards  
son, age 5 - years old.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Balas J. Edwards  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Wm

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Balas J. Edwards

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 12, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Coby Ordinary



## Application for Citizenship

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes  
Frank C. Armstrong Archibald S  
McKinnon Thomas B. Cabanis and  
Alexander B. Armstrong United States  
Commissioners authorized by an act  
of Congress of June 4th 1896 to hear and  
determine Claims for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation

The undersigned William Bearden  
makes this application for admis-  
sion to Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation in the Indian Territory as a  
Cherokee Indian by blood in accor-  
dance with the acts of Congress and  
the laws of the Cherokee Nation and  
respectfully submits the following  
facts as the grounds of this claim  
to wit That he is the son of one  
Malinda B. Bearden and the Grand  
son of one Balas Edwards and  
the Great grand son of one Polly  
Edwards who was Polly Reel Bird  
before she married Henry Edwards  
who your petitioner believes was a  
full blood Cherokee Indian by  
blood and a duly acknowledged member  
of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and  
from whom petitioner derive his Indian  
blood entitling him to Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation that the  
names of said ancestors should be  
found to appear on the Census rolls  
on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi  
river your petitioner is 21 years of age

Done



This post office address is Arnsi  
Murray County Georgia my family consist  
only of Myself William Bearden aged  
21 years  
William Bearden

You petitioner herewith submits the  
proof of this application and respectfully  
awaits its determination

William Bearden (Le 83)  
State of Georgia Murray County  
You do swear that the facts set forth  
in the above and foregoing petition are  
true to the best of your knowledge  
and belief so help you God

William Bearden (Le 83)  
sworn to and subscribed before me  
this September 4 day 1896 and hereby  
certify that petitioner is known to me  
as the identical person represented in his  
petition and is a person of good  
character and worthy of credit  
J. J. Coby Ordinary

## Application for Citizenship

To the Honorable Henry L. Leames & Armstrong  
Archibald S. Mc Kenyon Thomas B. Babamer  
and Alexander B. Armstrong United States  
Commissioners authorized by an act of  
Congress of June 4th 1896 to hear and  
determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Malinda L. Bearden  
makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
in the Indian Territory as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws  
of the Cherokee Nation and respectfully  
submits the following facts as the  
grounds of this claim to wit That she  
is the daughter of one Balas Edwards  
and the Grand daughter of one  
Palley Edwards who was one Palley  
Red Bird before she married one  
Henry Edwards your petitioner firmly  
believes that her Grand Mother  
was a full blood Cherokee Indian  
that she was duly acknowledged member  
of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and  
from whose petitioner derived her  
Indian blood entitling her to Citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation that  
the names of said ancestors should  
be found to appear on the Census rolls  
on the Cherokee East of the Missis-  
sippi river your petitioner is 36 years  
of age her post office address is Anzji  
Murray County Ga

over



and her family by virtue of Cherokee  
Indian blood is as follows  
James Bearden 20 years of age - Jasper  
Bearden 16 years of age - Oscar Bearden  
15 years of age - Marga Bearden 12 years of  
age - Lang Bearden 10 years of age -  
Lezmiss Bearden 8 years of age - Willis  
Bearden 6 years of age - Lock Bearden  
3 years of age - Walden Bearden 2 years  
of age -  
The petitioner herewith submits the  
proofs of this application and respect  
fully awaits its determination  
Matilda Bearden  
By J. W. Harris Jr. Atty

State of Georgia Murray County  
You do swear that the facts set forth  
in the above and foregoing petition are  
true to the best of your knowledge  
and belief so help you God

Matilda Bearden  
Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this September 4<sup>th</sup> 1896 and sealed by  
Certify that petitioner is known to me  
as the identical person represented in her  
petition and is a person of good char  
acter and worthy of credit  
J. Oby. Ordinary



State of Ark, County of Monroe

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared B. J. Edwards who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 99 years old, and is a citizen of Monroe Co and that he is personally acquainted with Mary E. Gordon who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said Mary E. Gordon is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for such citizenship.

Affiant is the father of applicant.  
I know that she is of Indian  
blood her grand mother my mother  
was a pure blood, Cherokee  
Indian her grand mother was  
named Polly Red-bird before she  
married to Henry Edwards.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mary E. Gordon for the past 44 years and knows that she has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mary E. Gordon indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mary E. Gordon is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mary E. Gordon to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

B. J. Edwards  
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 12 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

J. J. Coby, Ordinary

State of Georgia Murray County  
Personally appeared before me L. J. Coby  
Ordinary of said County John May  
who after being duly sworn deposes  
and says that he is personally and  
well acquainted with one Balas Edwards  
and has known the last 35 or 40 years and know  
him to be one half indian blood  
of the Cherokee tribe and further  
know that Malinda B. Bearden is  
the daughter of one Balas Edwards  
and further know that she has  
always been recognized by her  
neighbors and acquaintances as being  
a person of indian blood of the  
Cherokee tribe and am fully  
satisfied that all the facts set  
forth in Malinda B. Bearden appli-  
cation is true sworn to and subscribed  
before me this the 4 day of September  
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L. J. Coby, Ordinary } John May }  
John May } 83

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Commission's No.  
In re Application of  
M. J. Knox

Demurrer and Answer.

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J. Harris D. Carter



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Martha Jane Knox makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of J. H. Humber who is one  
the son of Jacob Humber and the son  
of one and the  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was  
Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived Indian blood entitling to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 20 years of age, his post office address is Lillian Ga,  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows: Edie son  
age 6 yrs. D. C. son age 4 yrs. Isaac  
son age 2 yrs John A son, age 4 months

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

M. J. Knox

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Murray

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

M. J. Knox

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 22, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character of and worthy  
of credit.

J. J. Cobey, Ordinary

State of ~~Missouri~~, County of Missouri

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Wesley L. M. Jones who after being duly sworn by me, states that, they is \_\_\_\_\_ years old, and is a citizen of Missouri and that they is personally acquainted with North Sam Hunt who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said North Sam Hunt is the identical person he represents him self to be in his application for such citizenship.

Affiant knows North Sam Hunt affiant 20 years ago knows that he is the daughter of J. D. Hunt, and the grand daughter of James Hunt who married to a half breed Indian Indian

Affiant further states that he has known the said North Sam Hunt for the past 20 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said North Sam Hunt indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said North Sam Hunt is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said \_\_\_\_\_ to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

J. M. Welch  
J. M. Jones  
W. L. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

L. J. Roby, Ordinary

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barritt, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of H. J. Knox

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8 day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March - 6 - 1899

Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter Parcel No.	507
of	J. H. Barritt
addressed to	S. H. Mayes Tahlequah Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
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George Carter et al  
vs

The Cherokee Nation

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Respectfully

W. H. Harris Jr.  
Cantonville Ga.



# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned George Carter makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts, as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one John Carter and the grand son of one Nelson Carter whose mother's maiden name was Rebecca

a who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the  
Mississippi river.

My Father's brother H. W. Carter is on the Cherokee rolls of citizenship and resides near Talagwa, I. T.

Your petitioner is 28 years of age, his postoffice address is Nelson Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>The Lillie Reris</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>a sister</u>
<u>Nawada "</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>" niece</u>
<u>Harby "</u>	<u>5 months</u>	<u>" nephew</u>
<u>Lizzie "</u>	<u>33 yrs</u>	<u>" sister</u>
<u>John Carter</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>May Ann Carter</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Ernest Carter</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Laura Carter</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Wm. Carter</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Sister</u>
<u>Frank Carter</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Sister</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

George Carter

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Pickens

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 31, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

George Carter  
All Johnson Orshing

DECLARATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

To THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John Carter make this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That John is the son of one Wilson Carter and the grandson of one Robert Carter who your petitioner firmly believes was a

Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the name of said ancestor should be found to appear on the census rolls on the Cherokee East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 43 years of age, his postoffice address is Ellisburg Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:  
Daughter Mary age 33 years - George age 28 years  
William age 25 years - Abby age 23 years  
Robert age 22 years - Laura age 20 years  
Laura age 18 years - Norville age 16 years  
Marion age 14 years

Your petitioner herewith submits the proofs of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John Carter  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GILMER.

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of July 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in above petition and is a person of good character of and worthy of credit.

W. J. Harris, Jr.  
Notary Public



Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared John Carter

states that he is \_\_\_\_\_ years old, and is a citizen of Said State & County

and that he is personally acquainted with George & Lizzie Carter who are applicants for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said Applicants are the identical persons they represent themselves to be in their application for such citizenship.

John Carter (affiant) is their father - Nelson Carter their grand father - Nelson Carter derived his Cherokee blood from his mother Mrs Rebecca Carter and her maiden name was \_\_\_\_\_

and she ~~was~~ got her Cherokee blood from her whose name was \_\_\_\_\_

They were of the Cherokee tribe - My brother William Carter is on the Cherokee Nations rolls as a citizen and lived at or near Tulloguash Indian Territory about 2 years ago

Affiant further states that he has known the said applicants all their lives for the past \_\_\_\_\_ years and knows that they have been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants are of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. except as their father

John Carter

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Wm. Johnson



Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Elizabeth McMillon who after being duly sworn by me,

states that she is 66 years old, and is a citizen of Lumpkin County

Georgia and that she is personally acquainted with John

Carter who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation, I. T., and that the said John Carter is the identical

person she represents hers self to be in her application for such citizenship.

That said John Carter now of Lumpkin County Georgia is the son of Upton Carter her father and Upton Carter the father of said John Carter should clearly and definitely show the race of the Cherokee Indian type and race among the recognized by her neighbors in the community where he lived as being a member of the Cherokee Nation that the children of said John Carter with whom I am personally acquainted are Lizzie Carter - George Carter - Mary Ann Carter - Lilly Ravis - Susan Carter - Lumma Carter - Lora Carter - Nervina Carter - Florida Carter

Affiant further states that she has known the said John Carter for the past 40 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said John Carter indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said John Carter is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that she has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said John Carter to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Elizabeth McMillon  
Notary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 31 day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know her to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Al Johnson Notary

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, Henry Clay Barlett, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the 8 day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Chas Carter et al

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of thurs attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5 day of September, 1896.

My Comm. Expires  
March - 6-1899.

OD McNeill

REGISTRY RECEIPT	
Post Office at	VINITA. SEP 9 1896 Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.
Registered Letter Parcel	No. <u>570</u> Rec'd _____ 189
of	<u>W. H. Harris</u>
addressed to	<u>J. H. Mayes</u> <u>Tahlequah, Ind.</u> <u>La Fayette, La.</u> P. M.

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H. W. Jacobson  
Deputy

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X. H. Harris &  
Carterville, Mo.

# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned Wm E. Taut makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Mrs Vincy Taut whose maiden  
name was Taut and her mother was Vana Ballant  
of one who your petitioner firmly believes was

a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 37 years of age, his postoffice address is Braswell Paulding Co Ga  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Samuel Barton Taut</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>son</u>
<u>Julius M. Taut</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>" (3 grand children)</u>
<u>R. S. Taut</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>" (1 " " )</u>
<u>Mrs Martha Annine Bowling</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Daughter (2 " " )</u>
<u>Mrs Olla Ellberry</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>" (1 " " )</u>
<u>Hubert Taut</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Son</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Wm E. Taut

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Georgia, COUNTY OF Barrow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Wm E. Taut John E. Taut

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 24, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Adrian Collier  
Notary



APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON,  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned Samuel Barton Taut makes this application for admission  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance  
with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as  
the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one John E. Taut and the grand son  
of one Mrs. Mary Taut and the great grand son  
of one Mrs. Anna Ballum who your petitioner firmly believes was  
a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citi-  
zenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the  
Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 35 years of age, his postoffice address is Shelboro  
and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>William Hofford Taut</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Martha Orlan</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Daughter</u>
<u>Arthur</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Oscar</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Effie Taut</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>"</u>

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

Samuel B. Taut

By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF GA, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your  
knowledge and belief, so help you God.

S. B. Taut

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August \_\_\_\_\_, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known  
to me as the identical person represented in \_\_\_\_\_ petition and is a person of good character and worthy  
of credit.

Aaron Collins  
Notary Public

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Henry Dodd who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 77 years old, and is a citizen of Switzerland and that he is personally acquainted with parties named below who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicants are the identical persons they represent them self to be in this application for such citizenship.

Samuel Barton Taut John M Taut Noah S Taut Wesley Taut Mrs Ollie Gillingham & Martha Gillingham are brothers & sisters and they are children of William E Taut of this County. William E Taut was the son of Mrs Nancy Taut whose maiden name was Taut and the mother of her was Mrs Mary Ballard and she married a Taut; affiant personally knows Mrs Ballard the ancestor she looked to be a Cherokee she was raised among the Indians she boasted of Cherokee blood & was recognized by the Cherokee as one of the tribe and affiant further states that that his grand mother & Mrs Ballard were half sisters & all lived among the Cherokee before the treaty.

Affiant further states that he has known the said parties applicants for the past 45 years and knows that they has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicants indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicants is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Henry Dodd  
J. Mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28th day of August 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

H. N. Hagins, J. M.



Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally ap-  
peared and the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally ap-

Georgia Paulding County  
I H. L. Owens Clerk Superior Court  
in and for said County hereby  
certify that H. L. Hagin was qualified  
as a Justice of the Peace in and for said  
County January 28 1896 and that his  
Term of Office does not expire until  
January 28 1897 Given under my  
hand and Official Seal this 28<sup>th</sup>  
day of August 1896  
H. L. Owens  
Clerk

Witness my hand and seal of office this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896



*George Washington County, N.H. D.*  
*James H. D. D.*  
*James H. D. D.*

Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared *E. M. Fought & John Hays* who after being duly sworn by me, states that *They are 28 & 31* years old, and is a citizen of *Saint John County* and that *They* are personally acquainted with *particulars* who is an applicant for citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T., and that the said *applicants* is the identical person *they* represents *them* self to be in *this* application for such citizenship.

*Samuel Boston Taint John M Taint John S Taint Wesley Taint Mrs Abbie Taint & Martha Balling are Brothers & sisters and they are Children of William G. Taint of this County William G Taint was the son of Mrs Taint whose maiden name was Taint & the mother of her was named Anna Ballard affiants personally knew Mrs Ballard the ancestor she looked to be a Cherokee she boasted of her Indian blood and was recognized by the Cherokees as one of the tribe and recollect that Jim Van an Indian came in on a visit to see Mrs Ballard, and said they were related*

Affiant further states that *they* has known the said *applicants* for the past *20* years and knows that *they* has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said *applicants* indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said *applicants* is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that *they* has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said *applicants* to citizenship in the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

*E. M. Fought*  
*John Hays*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *28th* day of *August* 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know *them* to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

*H. N. Hagin J. P.*

Georgia Paulding County  
J. H. Owens Clerk Superior Court  
in and for said County hereby certify  
that A. M. Hagin was qualified as a  
Justice of the Peace in and for County  
January 28 1893 and that his  
Term of Office will expire January  
28 1896 Given under my  
Hand and Official Seal this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court of Paulding County, Georgia, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original record of the qualification of A. M. Hagin as a Justice of the Peace in and for Paulding County, Georgia, as the same appears from the records of said Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court at the City of Dalton, Georgia, this 28th day of August, 1896.



*George and Anna Leavelle*  
*of the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory*  
*in and for said County hereby certify*  
*that A.M. Hogan was qualified as a*

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *Henry Clay Burt*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the *8* day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *N.E. Taut et al under same*  
*copy*

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of *thats attached*

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 1896.

*My comm. Expires*  
*Nov-6-1899*

*James D. Hester*  
*Deceiler*

REGISTRY RECEIPT.		
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of	<i>J. H. Harris</i>	
addressed to	<i>J. H. Mayes</i>	
	<i>Tahlequah, Ind.</i>	
	<i>P. M.</i>	



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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

Nation's No.....

Commission's No.....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant.....  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that.....

..... through whom the petitioner..... claim to derive..... right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

DECEMBER 9 1896

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By..... Attorneys.  
..... Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct 1896.

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# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. ARMSTRONG, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned John E. Blankenship makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of his claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of one John Blankenship and the grand son of one Mr. Blankenship believed by Indians "Uncle Billy" who your petitioner firmly believes was a Cherokee Indian by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokees East of the Mississippi river.

Your petitioner is 43 years of age, his postoffice address is Sigon Ga and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.
Emeline Blankenship	44	wife
Jesse Lee "	20	Son
Addison "	18	"
Ethel "	13	daughter
Robt Paul "	11	son
Mary "	5	daughter

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully awaits its determination.

John E. Blankenship  
By J. W. HARRIS, JR., Attorney.

STATE OF Ga, COUNTY OF Bartow

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept 5, 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in this petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

Adams Collins  
Notary Public



Before me, the undersigned judicial officer in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Peter Buford who after being duly sworn by me, states that he is 96 years old, and is a citizen of Said State + County and that he is personally acquainted with John E. Blankenship who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that the said applicant is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for such citizenship.

That he was personally acquainted with Wm Blankenship the grand father of applicant + knew that he lived among the Indians + was by them recognized as a member of the tribe + called "Uncle Billy" - That said Wm Blankenship had all the features of an Indian - High cheek bones, black hair, and the light complexion - That he spoke the Indian language and was known to be one half Cherokee Indian blood - That he knows John E. Blankenship + knows that he is the son of John Blankenship the son of Wm + that the statements made in his application are true -

Affiant further states that he has known the said John E. Blankenship for the past 25 years and knows that he has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person of Indian blood; that the complexion and physical appearance of the said applicant indicates the Indian type. That from the above fact and circumstances and from statements made to me by the applicant and those who knew him longest, affiant has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of genuine Indian blood. Affiant also swears that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said applicant to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Wm C. Sutherland Peter X Buford  
as to mark mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of Sept 1896,  
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with affiant and know him to be of good character and well worthy of credit.

Baron Collins  
Notary Public

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

I, *Henry Clay Barrett*, of Vinita, Ind. Ter., do solemnly swear that on the *8* day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Vinita, Ind. Ter., addressed to S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., and that registry receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_, received from postmaster and hereto attached is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of *J. E. Blankenship*

and \_\_\_\_\_

and of the affidavits of *three* attached

in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this *8* day of September, 1896.

*My comm. expires  
March 6-1899*

*O. D. Steele*

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Post Office at	VINITA.
Registered Letter Parcel No. <i>523</i>	Rec'd <i>SEP 9 1896</i>
of <i>J. W. Harris</i>	Cherokee Nation, Ind. <i>1896</i>
addressed to <i>S. H. Mayes</i>	
<i>Tahlequah, Ind.</i>	
<i>Del. Traynor</i>	P. M.

**End**



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Carroll Park

Before the

Dunes

Commons in  
Citizenship in  
the Fire Lake

John Walker

The Cherokee  
Nation

Petition & Proof

John Walker  
John Walker  
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John Walker

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Muskegon, Ind. Co.

Registered Letter No. 167 Rec'd 9-5- 1896

of John Watkins

addressed to Hon. A. H. Mayer, Principal Clerk  
Tahlequah, Ok.

① J. M. Berry- P. M.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John B. Burton ~~being~~ do solemnly swear that on the ~~5th~~ 5th day  
of September 1890 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at  
Muscogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H. Mayes principal  
Chief of the Cherokee Nation Tahlequah Ind Ter. that registry  
receipt No. received from Postmaster hereto attached is a receipt  
for said package which contained true copies of the application  
and affidavits of John Walker  
of John Walker  
Hiram Bisco, John Walker Isaac Hultz  
Prilla Whitey James H. H. H. H.  
Sallie Proham and a Whitey R.  
Dicson, Ruth Wallace, & Dr. Sibrell  
in support of the same

John B. Burton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Sept. 1890

John W. Hensler  
Notary Public



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, John Walker the undersigned, respectfully states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian blood from Elizabeth Sugg, his mother, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in and was a member of the Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the removal of the same west at a very early date and where your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the

Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 36 years. My Post Office address is Dry Fork Ark.

My family consists of the following-named persons: My and children, as follows:  
Sidney Roman Walker, aged 14 years,  
Eagle H. Walker, aged 11 years,  
Thomas J. ", aged 7 years,  
William S. ", aged 5 years,  
Ernest Mages ", aged 2 years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 26 day of August, 1896.

John H. Walker

ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, John Walker to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition, and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

John H. Walker  
Missouri Lee, Tex.  
A.D. 1896.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at this 26 day of August

John H. Kuyler  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition ~~xxxxxx~~ before the Dawes Commission ~~xxxx~~ on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in ~~support~~ support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

**Affidavit of Houston Sisco**

William Walker  
Isaac Fultz  
Priscilla Whitely  
James F. Sanchez  
Sallie Bohannon  
Isaac Whitely  
D. Dickson  
Ruth Wallace  
Deposition of Dr. Dibrill

That the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Suggs Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with said petitioner and knowing genealogy.

Your Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider in the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner and that ~~xxxxxx~~ all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together.

John Walker Thomas

John Walker, Thomas L. Wallace, Orlando Lowther, John D. Sugg,  
Davis Walker, Mathew V. Wallace, Lizzie Rogers, Elizabeth Sisco,  
Rebecca A. Webb, Wm. T. Wallace, Halford Lowther, S. P. Sugg,  
Emma Lowther, Martha Sugg,  
Nancy Sugg

1896 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September

**Notary Public**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 1966

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State of Arkansas }  
County of Carroll } ss

William Wacker being duly sworn deposes and says: My name is William Wacker I am 73 years old. My Post Office address is Dry Fork Arkansas. I am a farmer by occupation. I am well and personally acquainted with John D. Sugg, S. P. Sugg, Martha Sugg, Nancy Sugg, Elizabeth Sisco nee Sugg, Thomas Wallace, John Wacker, Davis Wacker, Rebecca Webb nee Wacker who are descendants by blood of Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown and who are applicants for admission & enrollment as citizens of the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. I have known them all their lives. I was well acquainted with Elizabeth Sugg the grand-mother of the above petitioners. The said Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Brown was a part Cherokee Indian by blood and was borned and raised in the state of Tennessee as a citizen and member of the Old Cherokee Nation there. Her name should appear on the census rolls of 1835 of the citizens of the Cherokee Nation. She came to the west with her husband and



family about 1830 or 1835 and settled in  
western Arkansas where she and her  
descendants have ever since lived  
on Dry Fork Arkansas. She died  
about the close of the late war in  
Arkansas. Affiant further states that the  
said applicants are part Cherokee  
Indian by blood derived from their  
grand mother the said Elizabeth Sugg  
nee Brown. I have been a resident  
of Arkansas 55 years I have known the  
applicants and the Sugg family for many  
years. have been intimately acquainted  
with them and their family history and  
tradition and from such knowledge  
state the above facts to be true

William Walker  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
29th day of August 1896

G. B. Bell, M.D.

Expiration of Office Nov-1897

This is to certify that I am personally well  
acquainted with the above witness and  
know him to be of good character  
and in every way creditable

G. B. Bell

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll 1855

being duly sworn  
deposes and says I am 75 years old. My  
Post Office address is ~~Orange~~ Arkansas  
I am a farmer by occupation. I am well  
and personally acquainted with John D. Sugg  
S. P. Sugg Martha Sugg Nancy Sugg Elizabeth  
Sisco nee Sugg. Thomas Wallace John  
H. Wacker Davis Wacker & Rebecca  
Webb nee Wacker who are applicants  
for admission as citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian  
Territory. I have known them all these  
lives. I was also acquainted with Elizabeth  
Sugg their grand-mother of whom they are  
dependants by blood. The said Elizabeth  
Sugg whose maiden name was Brown  
was the grand-mother of the above named  
applicants and was a Cherokee Indian  
by blood, and was so recognized by  
the people among whom she lived  
She was born & raised in the  
state of Tennessee as a member of  
the old Cherokee Nation there & her  
name should appear on the census  
rolls of citizens & members of the Cherokee  
Nation of 1835. She & her husband &  
family came to Western Arkansas

in a very early date about 1830 or 1835  
where she lived and died and most  
of her descendants have since lived  
They first settled on Dry Fork Arkansas  
and lived there all the time.  
Affiant further states that the said  
applicants are part Cherokee Indians  
by blood derived from their said  
grand mother Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown  
I have been a resident of Arkansas  
for <sup>a number of</sup> years and have known the  
applicants and the Sugg family for  
many years and was intimately  
acquainted with the elder ones and  
applicants and from my own personal  
knowledge of them with their family  
history and tradition state the above  
facts to be true. I further state that  
I am in no way related to the  
above applicants or interested in their  
claim.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 29 day of August 1896  
J. B. Bell N.P.

Expiration of office Nov 4 1897  
This is to certify that I am personally well acquar-  
inted with the above witness and know him to be  
of good character and in every way creditable  
Othere Betty Fritz J. B. Bell N.P.  
Sami Fritz



State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll 358

on the matter of  
Elijah Sugg, U.S. Cherokee Nation  
for citizenship Priscilla Whiteley  
after being duly sworn according  
to law says that her age is 77 years  
that her Post Office address is Long Fork  
Carroll County, Arkansas that she  
is and has been acquainted  
with Elijah Sugg for the last 50  
years and that Elijah Sugg  
is part Cherokee Indian by  
blood, and has always been  
so recognized in the community  
where he now lives and that he  
derived his <sup>Cherokee</sup> Indian blood from  
his mother, who was one fourth  
Cherokee Indian by blood, and  
always claimed to be, and said  
Priscilla ~~Whiteley~~ spoke the Cherokee  
Indian language. Affiant further says  
she is not of kin nor interested in the  
prosecution of said claim.

Attest

Frank Barnes J. V. Barnes } Priscilla <sup>per</sup> Whiteley  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This the 15 day of December A.D. 1884  
H. H. Moore  
Circuit Court Clerk

State of Arkansas }  
County of Canall } ss

In the Matter of  
Elijah Suggs v. Cherokee Nation  
for Citizenship Jas. P. Hancher after  
being duly sworn according to laws  
his age is 42 years that his last office  
address is Berryville Canoll County  
Ark that he is and has been personally  
acquainted with Elijah Suggs for  
the last 35 years and his understanding is  
that since Elijah Suggs is part Cherokee  
Indian and that <sup>since to be</sup> ~~described~~ his Cherokee  
Indian blood from his ~~grand~~  
mother who was part Cherokee Indian  
in blood and has always been  
regard as being part Cherokee Indian  
in the neighborhood in which he has  
lived and is so considered to this day  
affiant further says he is not of kin  
nor interested in the prosecution of  
said claim

Jas. P. Hancher

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this September 13<sup>th</sup> 1887 & I certify that the  
affiant is respectable and an ally to  
Credit and that I have no interest in  
the prosecution of said claim  
H. H. Moore Clerk  
Circuit Court

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll 3<sup>ss</sup>

In the matter of  
Elijah Suggs v.s. Cherokee Nation  
for citizenship Sallie Bohannon after  
being duly sworn deposes that she says  
her age is 75 years that her Post Office  
address is ~~very~~ Fort Cherokee that she  
is and has been personally acquainted  
with Elijah Suggs for the last 50  
years and her understanding was that  
said Elijah Suggs is just Cherokee  
Indian and that he derived his Chero-  
kee Indian blood from his Mother  
who was just Cherokee Indian by  
blood and has always claimed to be  
and recognized as being just Chero-  
kee Indian by blood in the community  
in which he has lived and that his  
said Mother spoke the Cherokee language  
Affiant further says she is not of him  
nor interested in the prosecution of

Said claim

attest  
Jas. P. Gancher

Sallie Bohannon

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

The 5<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1884  
at the City of Fort Smith in the County of  
Carroll in the State of Arkansas  
N. H. WOOD

Circuit Clerk



State of Arkansas,  
County of Carroll,

J. H. Moore

Clerk hereby certify that said  
officer Sallie K. Harrison is a regular  
and credible one and that I have no  
interest direct or indirect in said  
claim.

Witness my hand and official  
Seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Decr 1884  
J. H. Moore  
Clerk

State of Tennessee  
County of Carroll } SS

In the matter of  
Elijah Suggs v. Cherokee Nation  
for citizenship Isaac Whitely after  
being duly sworn says his age  
is 82 years that his last office  
is Long Fork Creek Thatch and  
has been personally acquainted with  
Elijah Suggs for the last 50 years  
and his understanding ~~is understanding~~  
is that said Elijah Suggs is just  
Cherokee Indian and that he derived  
his Cherokee Indian blood from his  
mother who was just Cherokee Indian  
by blood and has always been  
recognized as being just Cherokee Indian  
in the community in which he has lived  
as far as known.

and so considers to this day affiant  
further says he is not of kin nor  
interested in the prosecution of said claim  
attest  
Jas. P. Hancher Isaac Whitely  
C. W. Bailey

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D.  
1884 and certify that affiant is  
respectable and credible and that I  
have no objection to his claim.  
H. H. Moore  
Circuit Clerk

I, David Dickson, being sworn testify that I have lived in Van Buren  
Ark. Crawford, County, Ark. for more than fifty years; that many years  
before the war Van Buren, <sup>and Ft. Smith</sup> ~~was~~ the only trading point in Western Arkansas.  
~~Smith was not at that time known, and it~~ <sup>Van Buren</sup> was the principle point at  
which the Indians in the Cherokee Nation did their trading. It was no  
unusual sight to see hundreds of these Indians in one day in Van Buren.  
I became very familiar with them, and was, and am now perfectly familiar  
with the personal appearance of the Indian.

I knew a great many years ago a methodist preacher by the name of  
Alex Suggs. He was stationed at Van Buren for about two years. I  
think it was about the time of the Mexican war; I am not sure however  
about this. I knew him though very well. He looked very much like  
an Indian in appearance. He was of a dark complexion, high cheek bones  
coarse black straight hair, erect and very straight carriage. I do not  
know as a matter of fact whether he was an Indian or not, but his appear-  
ance impressed me very strongly with that belief. Indians in those  
days were very common as I have before said in Van Buren, and no one  
thought it unusual to see an Indian and no investigation was made.

D Dickson

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 3rd. day of Sept. 1896.

E L Mattoon  
Notary Public



I, Mrs. Ruth. Wallace, being duly sworn, testify that the Rev. Alex. Suggs, referred to in the statements made by David Dickson and Dr. J.A. Dibrell as having at one time lived at Van Buren, Ark., was a brother of myself. Our father's name was George Suggs, and our mother's name was Elizabeth Suggs. Before I was married we lived in ~~Van Buren~~ Tennessee, and moved from that state to Carroll County, Arkansas, and I was married in Carroll County, Arkansas. I am the mother of W.T. Wallace, T.L. Wallace M.V. Wallace and Jane Wallace, who married Dr. John R. Lowther. This daughter Jane is now deceased. Her children are Orlando, Lizzie, Cardy and Emma.

*Ruth Wallace*

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 3rd. day of Sept. 1896.

*E L Mattoon*

*Notary Public*

Testimony of Dr. J.A.Dibrell

States that he was a resident of Van Buren, Ark., and has been with the exception of about two years during the war, for the last 57 years. Came here in January 1840. During that entire period of his residence here he has been practicing medicine continuously.

Q. Dr. Dibrell, where were you educated as a physician?

A. In Philadelphia.

Q. What particular school?

A. The University of Pennsylvania, Medical Department; graduated there.

Q. In what year did you graduate?

A. 1839.

Q. Did you come directly from there to Arkansas?

A. Yes sir, soon after I graduated.

Q. In the earlier days, Doctor, did you practice amongst the Indians?

A. Yes sir, a great deal.

Q. How far into the Indian Territory did your practice extend?

A. About one hundred miles in the Cherokee Nation.

Q. Are you acquainted and have you been acquainted with the Indian character and his facial appearance?

A. Yes sir. In the earlier days there was no town known as Ft. Smith.

Van Buren was the sole trading point, and the Indians came here by the hundreds and thousands to do their trading, and in this manner I was thrown with them a great deal. We saw in those days a great many more Indians than is possible to see now.

Q. Were you ever at any time, Dr. Dibrell, acquainted with one Rev. Alex. Suggs?

A. Yes sir, very well acquainted with him.

Q. When did you first become acquainted with him?

A. I do not exactly remember; it was before the war.

Q. Do you know where he went to from here?

A. No sir.

Q. Do you know where he came from to this point?

A. No sir.

Q. Do you know whether he was related to the Indians, or had Indian blood in him or not?

A. I did not know it at the time.

Q. What is your best judgement from personal experience as to whether or not he was part Indian?

A. He had the Indian visage, the Indian complexion.

Q. Did you notice whether he had the Indian high cheek bone or not?

A. Yes sir, he had the high cheek bone of the Indian.

Q. What kind of hair did he have?

A. He had Indian hair, coarse, black and straight. I remember very distinctly the visage and personal appearance of brother ~~suggs~~, and he had all the appearance of having Indian blood in him. He was a Methodist preacher; stayed here two years, and it was quite a compliment to him to be sent back here the second year. If he had not been more than an ordinary man he would not have gotten the place for the second year.

*J. A. D. Drell*

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 3rd. day of Sept. 1896.

*E. L. Mattoon*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan. 8, 1899.



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Nation's No. 2499  
Commission's No. BAX

In re Application of

*John Walker*  
*et al*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 25 1897

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John Walker et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2499*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Elizabeth Brown*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hosieuge, Hatching & Bandine* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *19* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Bell*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Muskegon, Ind. Ter.*

Registered Letter No. *168* Rec'd *9-5-* 18*9*

of *John Watkins.*

*Muskegon, Ind. Ter.*

addressed *Wm. H. Mayo, Principal*

*Tahlequah, Ok.*

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*J. M. Berry.*





To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Half M. Lowther & Emma Lowther, undersigned, respectfully  
states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives the said Indian  
blood from Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown their great grand mother who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood.

by direct lineal descent from  
Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown to her daughter Ruth Sugg married to  
Vincent Wallace thence to the daughter of the last named Elizabeth  
Jane Wallace married to John R. Lowther the mother and father of  
these applicants. The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was Cherokee  
Indian by blood, resided in Tennessee as a member of the Old nation  
before the removal west. She came west at a very ~~early~~ early  
date and her name should appear on the census roll of 1835.  
Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of her application for citizenship in the

Cherokee Nation, and prays that her claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is        years. My Post Office address is Famos Ark  
My family consists of the following named persons: My        and children, as follows:

<u>Half M. Lowther</u>	aged <u>19</u> years,
<u>Emma Lowther</u>	aged <u>16</u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years,
	aged <u>      </u> years.

WITNESS my hand this 1st day of Sept 1896.

Half M. Lowther  
Emma Lowther

Indian Territory  
Western District ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, Orlando de Quincy Parthen  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

Orlando de Quincy Parthen

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Worcester L. I.  
this 1st day of Sept A.D. 1896.

John H. Kugler  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the above Commission on citizenship for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of his allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco  
Isaac Pulte  
Priscilla Whitely  
James P. Fancher  
Sallie Bohannon  
Isaac Mitely  
R. Dickson  
Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J. A. Dibrill

That *Halford R. Lowther* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing his genealogy.

Your Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proofs upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together with the case  
John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John D. Sugg  
Davis Walker Mathew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco  
Rebecca A Webb Wm T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg  
Anna Lowther Martha Sugg  
Pancy Sugg

*John H. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September  
1890

Notary Public



Samuel A. [unclear]

No 2224

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Before the Devere  
Commission  
on Citizenship  
in the Five Civilized  
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Halford R. Lowther  
v. S.

Cherokee Nation

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FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. ☆  
A. S. MCKENYON  
COM' R.

John Watkins  
For Petitioner

✓  
Nation's No. 3052

Commission's No. 345

In re Application of

*Harford R. Sauter*  
*et al*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 1896 ☆

A. S. MCKENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Hulford & P. Sawley  
et al*

Nation's No. *3152*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Elizabeth Brown*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hastings Hitchings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Myungye, Chosen  
Registered Letter No. 175 Rec'd. 9-5-1896  
of John Watkins  
Myungye, Chosen  
addressed to H. Mayo Orzechowski  
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A. S. MCKENNA  
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Petition  
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Indian Territory  
Northern District

I *John B. Butler* do solemnly swear  
That on the 6th day of September 1896 I saw a package registered at  
the Post office Muskogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H.  
Wayes Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation ~~Cherokee~~  
Tahlequah Ind Ter. , that registry receipt No. received from  
Post master hereto attached is a receipt for said package which  
contained true copies of the application of  
and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5th day of September  
1896

*John H. Royle*  
Notary Public.

To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Matthew V. Wallace, undersigned, respectfully  
states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian  
blood from Ruth Suggs his mother (married to Vincent Wallace)  
Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter of  
Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was ~~Elizabeth Sugg~~ Elizabeth  
Brown and who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in  
and was a member of the Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the  
removal west. The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown came west at a very  
early date and her name should appear on the census roll of 1835.

Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 39 years. My Post Office address is Van Buren Ark  
My family consists of the following named persons: My  
My wife Rose J. Wallace and children, as follows:  
and children: Earl Wallace, aged 35 years,  
Amanda Wallace, aged 13 years,  
aged 11 years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, 1896.  
Matthew V. Wallace

Indian Territory  
Northern District

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, William J. Wallace  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

William J. Wallace  
Subscribed and sworn to before me at Muskege, Ia. T.  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, A.D. 1896.  
John H. Tugler  
Notary Public



Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the proper Commission on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons.

Affidavit of Houston Sisco.  
Isaac Fultz  
Priscilla Whitely  
James P. Fancher  
Sallie Bohannon  
Isaac Whitely  
D. Dickson  
Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J.A. Dibrill

That *Mathew V. Wallace* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing genealogy.

Your Honorable commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider at the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together viz the cases of  
John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John B. Sugg  
Dabvis Walker Mathew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco  
Rebecca A. Webb Wm T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg  
Emma Lowther Martha Sugg  
Nancy Sugg

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1896.

*John H. Walker*  
Notary Public

**End**

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No 2930

Commonwealth

Before the House  
of Representatives  
Citizenship in  
the Free States,

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Davis Walker

<sup>V.S.</sup>  
The Cherokee Nation,

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Petition & Proof.

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Peppera  
Jm Walker  
for  
Petitioner

FILED SEPT 5 1906 \*

A. S. McKENNON

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Muscoyee, Ind. Ter.*  
Registered Letter No. *177* Rec'd. *9-5-1896*  
of *John Watkins*  
*Muscoyee, Ind. Ter.*  
addressed to *Hon. H. Mayas Prichy Chonka*  
*Tahlequah, Ft.*  
*(11)* *J. M. Berry* P.M.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John B. Burton, do solemnly swear that on the thirtieth day of September 1900 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at Muskogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H. Ryan, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah Ind. Ter. that registry receipt No. received from Postmaster Harris attached is a receipt for said package which contained true copies of the application of \_\_\_\_\_ and affidavits of John Walker

In support of the same

*John B. Burton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept, 1900

*John W. Kuyler*  
Notary Public

Notary Public and State of Indian Territory  
My Comm. Expires \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 1900  
*John W. Kuyler*



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, David Walker, undersigned, respectfully states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian blood from Elizabeth Sugg, his mother, <sup>married to the Walker</sup> who was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in and was a member of the Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the removal west. She came west at a very early date & whose name should appear in the Census rolls of 1835. Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 32 years. My Post Office address is Big Rock, Ark.  
My family consists of the following-named persons: My wife and children as follows:  
Alice Walker about aged 28 years,  
and child aged        years,  
Leslie Walker aged 7 years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years,  
       aged        years.

WITNESS my hand this 26 day of August 1896.

David Walker

Indian Territory }  
Matthew S. Bird } ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, John H. Walker to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition, and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

John H. Walker

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Chicago, Ill. this 26 day of August A.D. 1896.

John H. Walker  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition ~~xxxxxx~~ before the ~~paves~~ Commission ~~xxxx~~ on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in ~~support~~ support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco

- William Walker
- Isaac Fultz
- Priscilla Whitely
- James F. Lancher
- Sallie Bohannon
- Isaac Whitely
- D. Dickson
- Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. Dibrill

That *Davis Walker*, the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Suggs Brown as set forth in his petition, affiant being personally acquainted with said petitioner and knowing genealogy.

Your ~~petitioner's~~ Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider in the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner and that ~~xxxxxx~~ all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together viz the case

John Walker	Thomas L. Wallace	Orlando Lowther	John D. Sugg
Davis Walker	Mathew V. Wallace	Lizzie Rogers	Elizabeth Sisco
Rebecca A. Webb	W. Wallace	Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg	
		Emma Lowther	Martha Sugg
			Nancy Sugg

*John H. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1896

*John A. Barger*  
Notary Public

*Thompson, J. G. - The*



Indian Territory  
Northern District

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll

Hester Sisco being duly sworn deposes and says;  
My name is Hester Sisco I am 71 years of  
age. My Post Office address is Osoy, Carroll Co. Ark.  
I am a farmer by occupation.

I am well and personally acquainted with Davis Walker,  
who is an applicant for admission and enrolment as a citizen of  
the Cherokee nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. I have  
known him for all his life.

I was also well acquainted with Elizabeth Sugg the mother of  
the said petitioner and who married William Walker. I was also  
acquainted with the grand mother of applicant Elizabeth Sugg whose  
maiden name was Brown. The said Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name  
was Brown was a pure Cherokee Indian by blood and was born and  
raised in the state of Tennessee as a citizen and member of the  
old Cherokee nation there. Her name should appear on the census  
rolls of 1834 of the citizens of the Cherokee Nation. She came to  
the west with her husband and family about 1830 or 1835 and settled  
in western Arkansas where she and her descendants have ever since  
lived, on Dry Fork Arkansas. She died about the close of the late  
war in Arkansas.

Affiant further states that the said applicant Davis Walker  
is part Cherokee Indian by blood derived from the said grand mother,  
the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown through her mother Elizabeth  
Walker nee Sugg nee.

I have been a resident of Arkansas and have been acquainted  
in the Dry Fork neighborhood for 50 years. I have known the  
applicant and the Sugg family for many years, have been intimately  
acquainted with them and their family history and tradition and  
from such knowledge state the above facts to be true.

Hester Sisco

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of August 1895

W. L. Sisco 2 Jan 16 - 95

W. L. Sisco  
Notary Public



**End**



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

*Albany*

Registered Letter  
Percept

No. *176*

Rec'd

*9-5* 189*6*

of *John Watkins*

addressed to

*A. H. May as Prim chief clerk n e  
Tahley and S. P.*

(*10*)

*J. M. Berry.*

P. M.



Indian Territory  
Northern District

*John B. Buxton* do solemnly swear

That on the 6th day of September 1906 I am a postmaster registered at  
the Post office Muskogee Indian Territory addressed to Messrs. H.  
Hoyes Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation Muskogee  
Tahlequah Ind Terr., that registry receipt No. received from  
Post master hereto attached is a receipt for said postage which  
contained true copies of the application of  
and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Buxton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6th day of September

1906

*John H. Koogler*  
Notary Public

To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Lizzie Rogers nee Lowther, undersigned, respectfully  
states that she is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That she derives her said Indian  
blood from Elizabeth Sugg her great grand mother, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, by direct lineal descent from

Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown to her daughter Ruth Sugg married to  
Vincent Wallace thence to the daughter of the last named Elizabeth  
Jane Wallace married to John R. Lowther the mother and father of  
this applicant. The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was Cherokee  
Indian by blood, resided in Tennessee as a member of the Old Nation  
before the removal west. She came west at a very early date and her  
Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of her application for citizenship in the

Cherokee Nation, and prays that her claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that she be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 30 years. My Post Office address is Clarksville Ark

My family consists of the following named persons: My Pauline and children, as follows:  
Florence aged 6 years,  
aged 4 years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years,  
aged        years.

WITNESS my hand this 10 day of Sept. 1896.

Lizzie Rogers

Indian Territory  
Northern District

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority Orlando De Quincy Lowther  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

Orlando De Quincy Lowther

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Clarksville Ark  
this 10 day of Sept. A.D. 1896.

John H. Crangler  
Notary Public

name should appear in the Census roll of 1895



Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the proper Commission on citizenship for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of his allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco

• • Isaac Fultz  
• • Priscilla Whitely  
• • James P. Fancher  
• • Callie Bohannon  
• • Isaac Hately  
• • R. Dickson  
• • Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J. A. Dibrill

That *Isaac Fultz* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing his genealogy.

Your Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider at the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proofs upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together with the case

John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John A. Sugg  
David Walker Matthew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco  
Rebecca A Webb W. T. Wallace Holford Lowther C. P. Sugg  
Sam Lowther Martha Sugg  
Mary Sugg

*John H. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of September  
1896

*John H. Kinsler*  
Notary Public



**End**

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Cancel for Clerk

No 2237 349  
Before the  
Dawes Commission  
on citizenship in  
the five Tribes

#  
Rebecca Ann  
Webb

v. S,

Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. ☆

A. S. MCKENNON

Reflected  
John Watkins  
For  
Petitioner



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

Muscogee, Ind. Ter.

Registered Letter

No. 175

Rec'd.

9-5-1896

of John Walker

Muscogee, Ind. Ter.

addressed to

Sst. Mayes Prime Chief Cherokee

Tahlequah, Ind.

(9)

J M Berry P.M.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John B. Burton, do solemnly swear that on the 5th day of September 1900 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at Wasego Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H. Hayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation Tahlequah Ind. Ter. that registry receipt No. received from Postmaster hereto attached is a receipt for said package which contained true copies of the application of \_\_\_\_\_ and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Burton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Sept. 1900

*John H. Koogle*  
Notary Public



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Rebecca Ann Webb nee Muller, undersigned, respectfully  
states that she is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That she derives her said Indian  
blood from Elizabeth Sugg, her mother, married to Mr. Muller, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter  
of Elizabeth Sugg, whose maiden name was  
Elizabeth Brown, who was a Cherokee Indian  
by blood and who resided in our line a member  
of the Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the  
General West. She came West at a very early  
date and whose name should appear on the census rolls of the  
Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of her application for citizenship in the

Cherokee Nation, and prays that her claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that she be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 38 years. My Post Office address is Dry Fork Ark

My family consists of the following-named persons: My Elizabeth Webb and children, as follows:  
Ross Webb, aged 15 years,  
aged 14 years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 26 day of August, 1896.

Rebecca Ann Webb

Indian Territory } ss.  
Western District

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, John H. Walker  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

John H. Walker

Subscribed and sworn to before me at McAfee 2. 7.  
this 26 day of August, A.D. 1896.

John H. Walker  
Notary Public



Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the above Commission on citizenship for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of his allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco

Isaac Fultz  
Priscilla Whitely  
James P. Fancher  
Sallie Bohannon  
Isaac Hiteley  
D. Dickson  
Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J. A. Dibrill

That *Rebecca Ann Webb* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in her petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing his genealogy.

Your Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proofs upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together with the case

John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John D. Sugg  
Davis Walker Mathew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco  
Rebecca A Webb Wm T. Wallace Melford Lowther T. P. Sugg  
Anna Lowther Martha Sugg  
Nancy Sugg

*John H. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of September

1890

*John H. Raper*  
Notary Public

*W. H. Raper*  
Notary Public  
*John H. Raper*

North District

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll

Hester being duly sworn deposes and says:

My name is *Hester S. C.* I am *4* years of age. My Post Office address is *Ozark Corners Ark.*  
I am a *female* by occupation

I am well and personally acquainted with *Rebecca Ann Hester* *nee Walker* who is an applicant for admission and enrolment as a citizen of the Cherokee nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. I have known *her* *all her life*

I was also well acquainted with Elizabeth Sugg the mother of the said petitioner and who married William Walker. I was also acquainted with the grand mother of applicant Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Brown. The said Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Brown was a ~~part~~ Cherokee Indian by blood and was born and raised in the state of Tennessee as a citizen and member of the Old Cherokee nation there. ~~Her name should appear on the census rolls of 1835 of the citizens of the Cherokee Nation. She came to the west with her husband and family about 1830 or 1835 and settled in western Arkansas where she and her descendants have ever since lived., on Dry Fork Arkansas. She died about the close of the late war in Arkansas.~~

*Said* Affiant further states that the said applicant *Rebecca Ann Hester* is part Cherokee Indian by blood derived from *her* grand mother, the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown through *her* mother Elizabeth Walker nee Sugg ~~ne~~

I have been a resident of Arkansas and have been acquainted in the Dry Fork neighborhood for *50* years I have known the applicant and the Sugg family for many years, have been intimately acquainted with them and their family history and tradition and from such knowledge state the above facts to be true

*Glenn T. Hester*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *27* day of August 1890

*My Comm. exp. Jan. 16. 99.*

*W. H. Hester*  
Notary Public

*North Dist. D. P.*



**End**



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Nation's No.

3057-

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Wm J. Wallace  
Et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEP. 28

U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
S. D. KENNEDY

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Coleman, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*William J. Wallger  
et al*

Nation's No.

*3057*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not contain sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid *objection*, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*Edgar and Marion*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *this* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By

*Hastings, Hutchings & Bannard* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *25* day of *Sept*, *1898*

*D. J. Ball*

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No 2988350  
Before the  
Landed Comm  
on Citizenship  
in the Free  
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Thomas L Wallace  
U.S.  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. ★  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM'R

John Watkins  
For Petition  
Reflected

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Muscogee, Ind. Ter.*

Registered Letter Parcel No. *174* Rec'd. *9-5-* 189*6*

of *John Watkins*

*Muscogee, Ind. Ter.*

addressed to *Hon. H. Mayo, Principal Clerk*  
*Tahlequah, I.T.*

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*J. M. Berry* P.M.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John B. Burton, Notary Public, do solemnly swear that on the thirtieth day of September 1906 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at Muscogee Indian Territory addressed to Sam. S. H. Hays, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, and that registry receipt No. received from Postmaster hereto attached is a receipt for said package which contained true copies of the application and affidavits of John Walker

In support of the same

*John B. Burton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Sept. 1906

*John H. Hoyle*  
Notary Public



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Thomas L. Wallace, undersigned, respectfully  
states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian  
blood from Ruth Sugg his mother married to Vincent Wallace, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter of  
Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in and was a member of the  
Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the removal west. The said  
Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown came west at a very early date and her  
name should appear on the census rolls of 1835

Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 37 years. My Post Office address is Van Buren Ark.  
My family consists of the following-named persons: My Wife Mary M. Wallace and children, as follows:  
Children Math J. Wallace, aged 34 years,  
Prithi Wallace, aged 17 years,  
Thomas E. Wallace, aged 16 years,  
C. Burke Wallace, aged 11 years,  
Ollie Wallace, aged 7 years,  
Bliss Wallace, aged 2 years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 15 day of Sept. 1896.

Thos. L. Wallace

Indian Territory } ss.  
Northern District }

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, William F. Wallace  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

William F. Wallace

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Murphy, I. T.  
this 15 day of September A.D. 1896.

John H. Kugler  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the aforesaid Commission on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons.

Affidavit of Houston Sisco.  
" Isaac Fultz  
" Priscilla Whitely  
" James P. Fancher  
" Sallie McWhannan  
" Isaac Whitely  
" D. Dickson  
" Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J.A. Dibrill

That *Thomas L. Wallace* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in the petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing his genealogy.

Your Honorable commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider at the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together viz the cases of  
John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John R. Sugg  
Davis Walker Matthew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco  
Rebecca A. Webb Wm T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg  
Emma Lowther Martha Sugg  
Nancy Sugg

*John H. Walker*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1900.

*Seal*

*John N. Kinsler*  
Notary Public

**End**





REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

Registered Letter  
Parcel

No. 173

Rec'd

9-5-1896

of

John Watkins

addressed to

SN. Mayo Prince of Wales

Tahlequah, I.T.

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J M Berry,

P. M.

Indian Territory  
Northern District

*Register*  
*John B. Burton* do solemnly swear  
That on the 6th day of September 1890 I saw a package registered at  
the Post office Muscogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. M.  
Hayes Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation Muskogee  
Tahlequah Ind Ter. that registry receipt No. received from  
Post master hereto attached is a receipt for said package which  
contained true copies of the application of  
and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Burton*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5th day of September

1890

*John H. Kozyer*  
Notary Public.



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Orlando Lowther, undersigned, respectfully  
states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian  
blood from Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown his great-grand mother, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood. By direct lineal descent from

Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown to her daughter Ruth Sugg married to  
Vincent Wallace thence to daughter of last named Elizabeth Jane  
Wallace married to John R. Lowther the mother and father of this  
applicant. The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was a Cherokee  
Indian by blood resided in Tennessee as a member of the old nation  
before the removal west She came west at a very early date and her  
name should appear on the census roll of 1835.

Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 35 years. My Post Office address is Lowther Hill  
Hamblen Co. Tenn.

My family consists of the following-named persons: My wife and children, as follows:

<u>my wife</u>	<u>Beattie Lowther</u>	, aged <u>28</u> years,
<u>Children</u>	<u>Paul Lowther</u>	, aged <u>10</u> years,
	<u>Robert</u>	, aged <u>7</u> years,
	<u>Berry</u>	, aged <u>5</u> years,
	<u>Shine</u>	, aged <u>2</u> years,
		, aged _____ years,
		, aged _____ years,
		, aged _____ years,
		, aged _____ years,
		, aged _____ years,

WITNESS my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 1896.

Orlando D. Lowther

Indian Territory  
Northwestern District } ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, William T. Wallace  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Muscogee Co. Ga.  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. A.D. 1896.

William T. Wallace  
Notary Public  
John H. Hargrave  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition ~~for~~ before the powers Commission ~~for~~ on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen, claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco  
• • William Walker  
• • Isaac Fultz  
• • Priscilla Whitely  
• • James P. Fancher  
• • Sallie Bohannon  
• • Isaac Whitely  
• • A. Dickson  
• • Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. Dibrill

That ~~Orlando Lowther~~ the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition, affiant being personally acquainted with said petitioner and knowing his genealogy

Your ~~petitioner's~~ Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider in the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner and that ~~annexed~~ all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together viz the case John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John D. Sugg Davis Walker Arthur V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco Rebecca A. Webb T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg Sam Lowther Martha Sugg Nancy Sugg

John H. Wadkins

1896 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September

John H. Wadkins  
Notary Public

No 2937 351

Before the  
Deeds Commission  
on Citizenship  
in the  
Ladies

Orlando Corveth

Cherokee

FILED SEPT. 8. 1901  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM'R

John Watkins  
for Petitioner  
Respect



**End**



No. 2940 352

Before the Dowse  
Commissioners of  
Celticship in  
the Five Tribes,

#  
John D. Sugg,

v. s.  
The Cherokee  
Nation.

Petition & Proof,

John W. H. H.  
R. H. H.

FILED SEP 1896. ☆

A. S. McKENNON

R. H. H.

Carroll & Co.



REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Muskegon, Ind. Ter.*  
Registered *Letter* No. *172* on *2-5-1896*  
of *John G. Harris*  
*Muskegon, Ind. Ter.*  
addressed *Mr. H. Mayo, President*  
*Indianapolis, Ind.*  
(6) *J. G. Harris*

In the Honorable the Senate Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I *John B. Burton* do solemnly swear

That on the 6th day of September 1906 I saw a package registered at  
the Post office Muskogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H.

Hayes Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation Muskogee

Tableau Ind Ter. , that registry receipt No. received from  
Post master hereto attached is a receipt for said package which  
contained true copies of the application of  
and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Burton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6th day of September

1906

*John W. Koogle*  
Notary Public.

To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, John O. Sugg, undersigned, respectfully states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian blood from Eliabith Sugg his mother, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood. Eliabith Sugg was a son of Eliabith Sugg his maiden name was Eliabith Brown who was a Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in and was a member of the Old Cherokee Nation in Kansas before the removal west. She came west at a very early date, and her name then did appear in the  Census roll of 1855. Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 26 years. My Post Office address is Lawton, Okla.  
My family consists of the following named persons: My wife and children, as follows:  
John O. Sugg, aged 2 years.  
Grace F. Sugg, aged 8 years.  
John F. Sugg, aged 6 years.  
Edna F. Sugg, aged 5 years.  
Esse F. Sugg, aged 3 years.  
Chuck F. Sugg, aged 1 years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 11th day of August 1896.  
John O. Sugg X

State of Okla. }  
County of Cass } ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, John O. Sugg to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition, and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

John O. Sugg X  
Subscribed and sworn to before me at Lawton, Okla.  
this 11th day of August, A.D. 1896.  
A. Z. B. B. B.

Expiration of office Nov 11 1897



*Northwestern District*

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll

*Hustin Sisco* being duly sworn deposes and  
says: My name is *Hustin Sisco* I am *71* years  
of age. My Post Office address is *Osage Carroll Co. Ark*  
I am a *farmer* by occupation

I am well and personally acquainted with *John D. Sugg*  
who is an applicant for Cherokee Indian citizenship and enrollment  
as a citizen of the Cherokee nation in the Indian Territory

I have known *him* *fifty* *years* *all* *my* *life*

I was also acquainted with Elijah H. Sugg the father of the  
said petitioner. He was the son of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name  
was Brown The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was the grand mother  
of applicant. She was *born* *in* *the* *state* *of* *Tennessee* *as* *a* *citizen* *and* *member* *of* *the*  
Old Cherokee nation there; *and* *her* *name* *should* *appear* *on* *the*  
*roll* *of* *citizens* *and* *members* *of* *the* *Cherokee*  
*Nation* *of* *1835* *She* *came* *to* *the* *west* *with* *her* *husband* *and* *family* *at*  
*a* *very* *early* *date* *about* *1830* *or* *1835* *and* *settled* *in* *western*  
*Arkansas* *on* *Dry* *Fork* *in* *Arkansas* *where* *she* *lived* *and* *died* *and* *her*  
*descendants* *have* *since* *lived* *She* *died* *about* *the* *close* *of* *the* *late*  
*war*.

Affiant further states that the said applicant is part  
Cherokee Indian by blood derived from *the* *said* *grand* *mother*  
Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown through *his* *father* *Elijah* *Sugg* *H.* *Sugg*.  
I have been a resident of Arkansas for many years and have  
been acquainted in the Dry Fork neighborhood for *50* years. I  
have known the applicant and the Suggs family for a long time,  
many years, and have been intimately acquainted with the applicant  
and the Suggs family, and have known their history and tradition  
and from such knowledge state the above facts to be true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *17* day of August 1899

*W. H. H. H. H.*  
Notary Public

*My Comm. exp. Jan 16-99* *Northwestern Dist. Ark.*

Indian territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn depose and says that he has filed his petition before the paves Commission on citizenship for enrollment as a Cherokee citizen aliming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons

Affidavit of Houston Sisco  
" " Isaac Fultz  
" " Priscilla Whitely  
" " James P. Fancher  
" " Sallie Bohannan  
" " Isaac Hitely  
" " D. Dickson  
" " Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J. A. Dibrill

That *John D. Sugg* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing his genealogy.

Your Honorable Commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and considerat the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proofs upon the testimony attached to the ptition of this aff ant and that all of said cases be considered together voiz the case

John Walker	Thomas L. Wallace	Orlando Lowther	John D. Sugg
Davis Walker	Mathew V. Wallace	Lizzis Rogers	Elizabeth Sisco
Rebecca A Webb	Wm T. Wallace	Halford Lowther	S. P. Sugg
		Emma Lowther	Martha Sugg
			Nancy Sugg

*John D. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September

1890

*John H. H. Sugg*  
Notary Public

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Nation's No. 3053

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*John D. Sugg*  
*et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 7 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*John D. Suggs*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *3053*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurral, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Elizabeth Brown*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *this* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

*Hastings, Hutchings & Bandini*  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC

**End**





No 2947  
Before the Dawes  
Commission on  
Citizenship in the  
Five Tribes

#  
Elizabeth Sisco  
vs

Cherokee Nation

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Copy of  
Petition & Proof

FILED  
S. H. KENNON

John M. McKinn  
For  
Petitioner  
Respect

Orange Ark

REGISTRY RECEIPT

Post Office at *Muscogee, Ind. Ter.*

Registered Letter No. *171* Rec'd *9-5-1896*

of *John Watkins*

*Muscogee, Ind. Ter.*

addressed to *Hon. A. H. Mayo, Principal*

*Tahlequah, Ark.*

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*J. M. Berry*

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John E. Burton ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ do solemnly swear that on the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 5th day  
of September 1896 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at  
Muscogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. E. Hayes principal  
Chief of the Cherokee Nation Tahlequah Ind. Ter. that registry  
receipt No. received from Postmaster hereto attached is a receipt  
for said package which contained true copies of the application  
of ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ John Walker

in support of the same

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Sept. 1896

*John E. Burton*  
*John H. Kuyler*  
Notary Public



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, Elizabeth Sisco, the undersigned, respectfully states that she is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That she derives her said Indian blood from Elijah Sisco, her father, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood. Elijah Sisco was a son of Elizabeth Sisco whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown, who was a Cherokee Indian by blood, and who resided in and was a member of the Old Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the removal. She came west at a very early date and whose name Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of her application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, and prays that her claim may be fully investigated by your Honorable Commission and that she be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 32 years. My Post Office address is Osage Arkansas  
My family consists of the following-named persons: My husband and children, as follows:  
William M. Sisco husband, aged 36 years.  
Elsie child, aged 14 years.  
Roy child, aged 2 years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 14th day of August 1896.

Elizabeth Sisco

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll } ss.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, Elizabeth Sisco to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon her oath says that she is the petitioner in the above petition, that she has read (or heard read) the said petition, and that the facts stated therein are true, as she verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Osage Arkansas,  
this 14th day of August, A.D. 1896.

T. B. Bell, N. P.

Expiration of office Nov 4-1897

Physician's office in the County of Carroll, Arkansas  
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*Wortham District*

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll

*Huston Sisco* being duly sworn deposes and  
says: My name is *Huston Sisco*

I am *7* years  
of age. My Post Office address is *Asahe Cabin or UNC*

I am a *frontier* by occupation

I am well and personally acquainted with *Elizabeth Sisco*  
whose maiden name was *Elizabeth Sugg*  
who is an applicant for Cherokee Indian citizenship and enrollment

as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory

I have known *her* for *all her life*

UI was also acquainted with Elijah H. Sugg the father of the  
said petitioner. He was the son of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name  
was Brown The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was the grand mother  
of applicant. She was a Cherokee Indian by blood and was born and  
raised in the state of Tennessee as a citizen and member of the  
Old Cherokee Nation there; and her name should appear on the  
~~census rolls of citizens and members of the Cherokee~~

~~Nation of 1835~~ She came to the west with her husband and family at  
a very early date, about 1830 or 1835 and settled in western  
Arkansas on Dry Fork in Arkansas where she lived and died and her  
descendants have since lived. She died about the close of the late  
war.

Affiant further states that the said applicant is part  
Cherokee Indian by blood derived from *her* said grand mother  
*Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown* through *her* father *Elijah Sugg H. Sugg*

I have been a resident of Arkansas for many years and have  
been acquainted in the Dry Fork neighborhood for *50* years. I  
have known the applicant and the Suggs family for a long time,  
many years, and have been intimately acquainted with the applicant  
and the Suggs family, and have known their history and tradition  
and from such knowledge state the above facts to be true.

*Houston Sisco*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *27* day of August 1890

*My Comm. Ex. Jan 16-99*

*W. G. Shomley*  
Notary Public

*Wortham Dist. I.T.*



Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the proper Commission on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

- Isaac Fultz
- Priscilla Whitely
- James P. Funcher
- Sallie Robinson
- Isaac Whitely
- R. Dickson
- Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J.A. Drivill

That *Elizabeth Sugg*

the petitioner in the annexed petition is a true and direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing genealogy.

Your Honorable commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider at the bar ring of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together via the cases of John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John R. Sugg Davis Walker Matthew V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco Rebecca A. Webb Wm T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg Emma Lowther Martha Sugg Mary Sugg

*John H. Walker*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1890,

*John H. Walker*  
Notary Public



**End**

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Muscogee, Ind. Ter.

Registered Letter } No. 170 Rec'd 9-5-1896

of John Watkins

Muscogee, Ind. Ter.

addressed to Hon. H. Mayes Principal

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J. M. Berry P.M.



No. 2242 354

Cannell & Co

Before the Dawes  
Commission on  
Citizenship in  
the Five Tribes.

#  
J. P. Sugg, Martha.  
Sugg, and Nancy Sugg.

V. S.  
The Cherokee Nation,

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Petition & Proof.

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John Watkins  
FILED SEP 8. 1896.  
McKENNON  
Petition  
Refused

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I *John B. Burton* solemnly swear

That on the 6th day of September 1890 I saw a package registered at  
the Post office Muskogee Indian Territory addressed to Mrs. S. H.  
Hoyes Principal, Chief of the Cherokee Nation Muskogee  
Tahlequah Ind Ter. , that registry receipt No. received from  
Post master hereto attached is a receipt for said package which  
contained true copies of the application of  
and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Burton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8th day of September  
1890

*John J. Kogler*  
Notary Public.

*John B. Burton*  
*Notary Public*



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, *S. P. Sugg, Martha Sugg & Nancy Sugg* its  
states that *the are Cherokee* Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
*Cherokee* Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That *the* derives *the* said Indian  
blood from *Elijah H. Sugg, their father*, who was a  
*Cherokee* Indian by blood. *The said Elijah H. Sugg*  
*was a son of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden*  
*name was Elizabeth Brown who was a*  
*Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided*  
*and was a member of the Old Cherokee Nation*  
*in ten several papers the removal west. She could*  
*not at a very early date, and whose name should appear*  
Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of *the* application for citizenship in the  
*Cherokee* Nation, and prays that *the* claim may be fully investigated by your

Honorable Commission and that *the* be adjudged to be a citizen of said *Cherokee*  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is *26* years. My Post Office address is *Dry Fork Ark.*

My family consists of the following named persons: *My wife and* children, as follows:

<i>S. P. Sugg</i>	<i>5</i>	aged <i>26</i> years,
<i>Martha Sugg</i>		aged <i>22</i> years,
<i>Nancy Sugg</i>		aged <i>19</i> years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,
		aged _____ years,

WITNESS my hand this *26* day of *Aug.* 1896.

*Indian Territory*  
*Western District* } ss.

*S. P. Sugg*  
*Martha Sugg*  
*Nancy Sugg*

*John Sugg*

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, *John Sugg*  
to me known to *be the petitioner in the above petition* who being by me first duly sworn, upon *his* oath  
says that *the brother of the* he is the petitioner in the above petition, that *he knows the facts therein stated* he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as *he* verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at *Muscogee L. I.*  
this *26* day of *August* A.D. 1896.

*John H. H. H.*  
*Notary Public*



Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker being duly sworn deposes and says that he has filed his petition before the same Commission on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition. That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named persons:

Affidavit of Houston Sisco,  
• Isaac Pultz  
• Priscilla Whitely  
• James P. Venable  
• Sallie Bohannon  
• Isaac Whitely  
• D. Dickson  
• Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J.A. Dillard

and Nana Sugg  
That S.P. Sugg, the petitioner in the annexed petition is a lineal descendant of Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown as set forth in his petition, affiant being personally acquainted with petitioner and knowing genealogy.

Your Honorable commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider at the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner; and that all the cases of the following named persons depend for proof upon the testimony attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together via the cases of John Walker Thomas L. Wallace Orlando Lowther John A. Sugg David Walker Nathan V. Wallace Lizzie Rogers Elizabeth Sisco Rebecca A. Webb W. T. Wallace Halford Lowther S. P. Sugg Ezra Lowther Martin Sugg Henry Sugg

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1904.

John H. Walker  
Notary Public

United States of America  
Indian Territory  
Northern District

State of Arkansas  
County of Carroll

*Hester Sisco* being duly sworn deposes and  
says, My name is *Hester Sisco*

I am 71 years

of age. My Post Office address is *Osage Creek, Ark.*

I am a *farmer* by occupation

I am well and personally acquainted with *Mr. S. B. Sugg*  
*Martha Sugg & Nancy Sugg,*  
who ~~have~~ applied for Cherokee Indian citizenship and enrollment

as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory

I have known them *all their lives*  
*My dear brother & S. B. Sugg*

UI was also acquainted with Elijah H. Sugg, the father of the  
said petitioners. He was the son of Elizabeth Sugg whose maiden name  
was Brown. The said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown was the grand mother  
of applicant. She was a Cherokee Indian by blood and was born and

raised in the state of Tennessee as a citizen and member of the

Old Cherokee Nation there; and her name should appear on the

~~proper census rolls of citizens and members of the Cherokee~~

~~Nation of 1835~~ She came to the west with her husband and family at  
a very early date, about 1830 or 1835 and settled in western  
Arkansas on Dry Fork in Arkansas where she lived and died and her  
descendants have since lived. She died about the close of the late  
war.

Affiant further states that the said applicant is ~~part~~  
Cherokee Indian by blood derived from ~~the~~ said grand mother  
Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown through ~~her~~ father Elijah Sugg H. Sugg

I have been a resident of Arkansas for many years and have  
been acquainted in the Dry Fork neighborhood for ~~many~~ years. I  
have known the applicant and the Suggs family for a long time,  
many years, and have been intimately acquainted with the applicant  
and the Suggs family, and have known their history and tradition  
and from such knowledge state the above facts to be true.

*Hester Sisco*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *27* day of August 1896

*My Comm. Ex. Jan 16 - 79.*

*W. H. Housley*  
Notary Public  
Northern District



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Nation's No. 3050

Commission's No.

In re Application of

S. P. Dugg  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

COM'R



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*D. J. Suggs et al*

Nation's No. *3050*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Elizabeth Brown*

through whom the petitioner *claim to derive her* right

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Wade & Nichols & Burdick* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





No. 7843

Van Buren Ark

Before the Dawes  
Commission on  
Citizenship in  
the Five Tribes

#  
William L. Wallace

V.S.

The Cherokee Nation

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Petition & Proof

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John Watkins

for

Petition  
Refused

REGISTRY RECEIPT

Post Office at *Chicago, Ind. Ter.*

Registered Letter No. *169* Date *7-5-1896*

of *John Watkins*

*Chicago, Ind. Ter.*

addressed to *Hon. J. M. McKim*

*Chicago, Ind. Ter.*

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*F. M. McKim*

Indian Territory  
Northern District

I, John B. Hurton ~~Notary Public~~  
~~Notary Public~~ do solemnly swear that on the ~~24th~~ 25th day  
of September 1896 I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at  
Muscogee Indian Territory addressed to Hon. S. H. Hayes principal  
Chief of the Cherokee Nation Tahlequah Ind Ter. that registry  
receipt No. received from Postmaster hereto attached is a receipt  
for said package which contained true copies of the application  
of and affidavits of John Walker

in support of the same

*John B. Hurton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of Sept. 1896

*John H. Koogle*

Notary Public



To the Honorable the Dawes Commission on Citizenship in the Five Civilized Tribes  
in the Indian Territory:

Your petitioner, William S. Wallace, undersigned, respectfully  
states that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood, and asks to be enrolled as a member of the  
Cherokee Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory. That he derives his said Indian  
blood from Ruth Sugg, his mother, married to Vincent Wallace, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood, and who was the daughter of

Elizabeth Sugg, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown, who was a  
Cherokee Indian by blood and who resided in and was a member of  
the Cherokee Nation in Tennessee before the removal west. The  
said Elizabeth Sugg nee Brown came west at a very early date and  
whose name should appear on the census roll of 1835.

Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of his application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation, and prays that his claim may be fully investigated by your  
Honorable Commission and that he be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with  
the laws and treaties with said Nation of Indians.

My age is 47 years. My Post Office address is Van Buren Ark.

My family consists of the following named persons: My Wife Rizzie Wallace and children, as follows:  
Vincent S. Wallace, aged 37 years,  
Sidney O. Wallace, aged 15 years,  
Carrie May Wallace, aged 13 years,  
Sallie Wallace, aged 11 years,  
William S. Wallace Jr, aged 8 years,  
Vera June Wallace, aged 6 years,  
Lizzie Wallace, aged 2 years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years.

WITNESS my hand this 14 day of September, 1896.

William S. Wallace

Indian Territory ss.  
Notary District

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, William S. Wallace  
to me known to be the petitioner in the above petition, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath  
says that he is the petitioner in the above petition, that he has read (or heard read) the said petition,  
and that the facts stated therein are true, as he verily believes.

William S. Wallace

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Muscogee Co. Ga.  
this 14 day of Sept, A.D. 1896.

John H. Kugler  
Notary Public

Indian Territory  
Northern District

John Walker, being duly sworn deposes  
and says that he has filed his petition before the above Commission on citizenship for admission and enrollment as a Cherokee citizen claiming such right by Cherokee Indian blood derived by direct lineal descent from his grand mother Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in his petition ~~wherein he claims~~ That in support of the allegations of his said petition he has attached thereto certain testimony which consists of the affidavits of the following named person:

Affidavit of William Walker

- Isaac Valtz
- Priscilla Whitely
- James P. Fancher
- Salie Robinson
- Isaac Whitely
- D. Dickson
- Ruth Wallace

Deposition of Dr. J. A. Dibrill

That ~~John Walker~~ *John Walker* the petitioner in the annexed petition is also a direct lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Sugg as set forth in ~~the~~ petition, affiant being personally acquainted said petitioner and knowing ~~him~~ *him*

Your Honorable commission is therefore respectfully asked to take and consider in the hearing of this case all the testimony filed in the case of this affiant and petitioner and that the case of all the ~~following named~~ *following named* persons depend for proof upon the testimony ~~submitted~~ *submitted* attached to the petition of this affiant and that all of said cases be considered together, viz the case of

John Walker	Thomas L. Wallace	Orlando Lovther	John D. Sugg
Davis Walker	Nathan V. Wallace	Lizzie Rogers	Elizabeth Sugg
Rebecca Ann Webb	E. L. Wallace	Halford Lovther	E. F. Sugg
		Sam Lovther	Martha Sugg
			Harvey Sugg

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September

*John H. Walker*  
*John H. Walker*

**End**





SERVICE AFFIDAVIT.

INDIAN TERRITORY, } ss.  
Cherokee Nation. }

I, J. N. BALDWIN, do solemnly swear that on the Fourth day September, 1896, I, in person, delivered to WM. HASTINGS, FRANK J. BOUDINOT and WM. T. HUTCHINGS, Attorneys for the Cherokee Nation, at Tahlequah, I. T., a package which contained a true copy of the application of Wm W. Davis for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.,

and of the affidavits of himself, Samuel Davis, Alfred Price, Wm A. Lewis, J. A. Barton & Wm Price

in support of same, the originals of which are now filed with the Honorable DAWES COMMISSION, at Vinita, Ind. Ter. That affiant has no interest in this matter.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 4 day of September, 1896

J. N. Baldwin  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires Mar 7<sup>th</sup> 1900

Claim  
by William W. Davis  
to Claimant,  
Cherokee Indian  
Citizenship



PETITION AND MEMORIAL.  
FOR CHEROKEE INDIAN CITIZENSHIP.

TO The Hon. Dances Commission:

Your petitioner William W. Davis....., earnestly and respectfully represents that he is one  
sixteenth..... Cherokee Indian by blood, deriving the same from his lineal ancestor, the late

Ned Sizemore, through his mother, Jennie Hash,  
who was a daughter of Margery Hash, who was a  
daughter of Catharine Hart who was a daughter  
of said Ned Sizemore, who was a Cherokee  
Indian of the full blood

Your petitioner, therefore, submits to your honorable body the above statement of facts as grounds for his  
application for Cherokee Indian Citizenship as aforesaid in the Cherokee Nation and asks for full and complete  
investigation of his claim and if the same is found to be valid and correct as herein stated, that he be allowed  
all the rights, privileges and immunities of other citizens of said Nation.

Petitioner's full name is William Washington Davis fifty..... years,  
residence Grayson Co......, in the State of Virginia....., postoffice address Aug  
..... County of Grayson..... State of Virginia..... occupation that of a

farmer and is a married man and the father of the  
following named minor children: Nieldah Davis,  
aged 13 years; Phoebe E. Davis, aged 11 years; William M.  
Davis, aged 6 years; Laura L. Davis, aged 3 years

Attesting witnesses,

Most Respectfully Submitted,

.....[SEAL.]  
.....[SEAL.]

.....W. W. Davis.....[SEAL.]

STATE OF North Carolina

COUNTY OF Ashe

Personally appeared before me, W. W. Testerman Justice of the Peace  
in and for said county in the State aforesaid, William W. Davis the petitioner in the above  
petition for Cherokee Indian citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, U. S. A., who after being  
duly sworn according to law states that the facts set forth in his said petition above are true as stated therein,  
this the 10 day of August 1896.

Attesting witnesses,

.....W. W. Davis.....[SEAL.]

[SEAL.]

[SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Justice of the Peace as aforesaid, on this 10 day of  
Aug. 1896, and I do certify that I am personally acquainted with William W. Davis  
the said petitioner, and know that he is a credible person and entitled to full faith and credit before any of  
the Courts of the State of North Carolina, and that I have no interest directly or indirectly in the  
prosecution of his said claim for Cherokee Indian citizenship and am not related to him by blood or marriage.

.....W. W. Testerman J. P.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss.  
ASHE COUNTY,

I, POINDEXER BLEVINS, Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, do certify that W. W. Testerman.....  
Testerman....., Esq., whose name is signed to the foregoing certificate, was at the time of so doing a  
Justice of the Peace in and for said county and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts  
are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine. Witness, my hand and seal of  
said Court, this 12 day of August 1896.

.....P. Blevins.....  
Clerk Superior Court.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.  
IN THE MATTER OF CLAIM

Of *William W. Davis* To Cherokee Indian Citizenship.

AFFIDAVIT OF *Claimant*

STATE OF *North Carolina*  
COUNTY OF *Ashe* } ss.

On this, the *10* day of *Aug.*, A. D., 189*6*, personally before me *W. W. Zestermann*, a Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid, duly authorized to administer oaths, appeared *William W. Davis* aged *55* years, a resident of *Grayson* county, and State of *Virginia*, whose postoffice is *Aug. Va.*, who after being duly sworn according to law, says that he is *one sixteenth* Indian by *blood* and a claimant for *Cherokee* Indian citizenship. Affiant further says on oath *that he denies his Indian blood from his ancestor the late Ned Siginore, as set out in his Petition and memorial*

and is a direct lineal descendant of the *Siginore* family, whose name he believes appears upon the census rolls, that were taken by the United States government, by blood, of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. Affiant further says that he believes the said *Siginore family* to be of Cherokee Indian blood, and were members of the *Cherokee* tribe of Indians.

Affiant further says he has been taught and has heard from his earliest youth that he is a descendant of a *Cherokee* Indian family and that affiant has been recognized and treated by his neighbors and the public generally as a person of *Cherokee* Indian blood and that from his complexion and physical appearance he has every reason to believe and does believe that he is of *Cherokee* Indian blood and is an admixture of *white* and Cherokee and at least once *sixteenth* Indian by blood.

Affiant further says the above statements are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *10* day of *Aug.*, A. D. 189*6*, and I further certify that the foregoing affidavit was read to affiant in my presence. That said affiant is to me personally known (or has been satisfactorily identified before me) and I verily believe him to be a credible person.

*W. W. Zestermann, J. P.*

In the matter of the claim of the descendants of Ned Sizemore to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }  
County of Ashe } ss.

Before me, the undersigned Justice of the Peace, in and for the county of Ashe, in the State aforesaid, personally appeared Samuel Davis, who after being duly sworn, states that he is seventy-seven years of age, a resident of Grayson county, Va., whose postoffice address is Grassy Creek, Ashe county, N. C.; that he has lived in Grayson county, Va., all his life; that about sixty years ago, he well and personally knew one Ned Sizemore, who was a Cherokee Indian of the full blood then living in Ashe county, county, N. C.; that said Sizemore, prior to that time had come from the Cherokee tribe in western North Carolina, or Georgia; that said Sizemore had the appearance of a full blood Indian and was so treated and recognized by his neighbors and acquaintances; that he made frequent visits to the home of said tribe after affiant first knew him; that he died in Ashe county, N. C., and had a numerous family of sons and daughters, one son Owen Sizemore, had a daughter Lyddia who married James Blevins and another daughter who married one Stamper, from whom have descended a number of these claimants; and that said Ned Sizemore had one daughter Catharine who married one James Hart; that said James and Catharine Hart had sons, Ned and George among others, and Catharine who afterwards married one Baldwin and subsequently one Caldwell, and Margery who married one Robert Hash and settled in Grayson county, Va., near the N.



C., and Va. State line and near the home of affiant; that he often saw said Ned Sizemore at the home of the said Margery Hash, his grand-daughter, and remembers to have seen him there once with a pet bear following him; and that said Ned Sizemore could speak English only very imperfectly.

Affiant states these facts from his own personal knowledge and observation and has no interest direct or indirect in the claim of said Ned Sizemore's descendants to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Given under my hand this 10th day of August, A. D. 1896.

[Signed] SAMUEL DAVIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of August, A. D. 1896, and I certify that I am well acquainted with said Samuel Davis and know him to be entitled to full faith and credit and a truthful person.

[Signed] M. C. HASH, J. P.

(The foregoing is a copy of an affidavit filed with the Hon. Dawes Commission in the claim of Cornelie Peak for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Official character and genuineness of signature of Justice certified by Clerk of Court under seal of Court.)

In the matter of the claim of the descendants of Ned Sizemore to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T,

State of North Carolina, } ss:  
County of Ashe,

On this 19th, day of August A. D. 1896, personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for the county of Ashe in the State aforesaid, Alfred Price, aged 76 years, whose postoffice address is Crumpler, Ashe county, N. C., and states that some sixty years ago he personally knew one Ned Sizemore who then lived in Ashe county, North Carolina, and who was a Cherokee Indian of the full blood, having come several years prior to that time from the Cherokee reservation and settled in Ashe county, N. C., that said Ned Sizemore had the appearance of being a full blood Indian, and was so treated and regarded by his neighbors and acquaintances; that said Sizemore died in Ashe county, N. C., and had a numerous family of sons and daughters, one son Owen who was the father of Lyddia Sizemore who married James Blevins and who was the mother of James, Eli, George, Wells Blevins from whom have sprung a number of the present claimants; that Catharine was the name of a daughter of said Ned Sizemore who married one James Hart and who had several sons and daughters, Margery who married Robert Hash, George Hart who was the father of Margery Peak and Cornelie Peak and Grubb Hart; said Ned Sizemore also had other sons and daughters and said Catharine Hart was the mother of Catharine Caldwell who was the mother of Nancy Caldwell and William D. Baldwin; that said Catharine Hart was the mother also of Ned Hart, Morris Hart and others.  
Affiant states these facts from his own personal knowledge and observation.  
Given this Aug. the 19th, 1896.

[Signed] ALFRED x PRICE.  
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of August, 1896, and I certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known to affiant before signing and swearing, and that said Alfred Price is a person of truth and credibility.  
Given under my hand this day and date first above written.

[Signed] L. HURLY, J. P.

(The foregoing is a copy of an affidavit filed with the Hon. Dawes Commission in the claim of Cornelie Peak for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
Official character and genuineness of signature of Justice certified by Clerk of court under seal of court.)

In the matter of the claim of the descendants  
of Ned Sizemore to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation, I. T.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }  
County of Ashe } ss.

Before me, the undersigned Justice of the Peace, in and for the county of Ashe, in the State aforesaid, personally appeared William Price, aged 86 years, a resident of Ashe county, State of North Carolina, whose postoffice address is Weaversford, N. C., who after being duly sworn states that he was born and raised in Ashe county, N. C., and that some sixty or seventy years ago he well knew one Ned Sizemore who was a full blood Cherokee Indian and made his home at that time on the waters of Cranberry Creek, in Ashe county, N. C.; that said Sizemore had come from the home of the Cherokee tribe in Western N. C., or Ga., some several years prior to the time affiant first knew; that he often went back to where said tribe was located after affiant first knew him but finally made his home in Ashe county, N. C., where he subsequently died; that said Sizemore had a numerous family of sons and daughters, two of whom, Owen Sizemore, a son and Catharine Sizemore, a daughter affiant well and personally knew; that said Owen Sizemore had a daughter, Lyddia who married one James Blevins, and lived in Ashe county, N. C.; that said James and Lyddia Blevins had several sons and daughters from whom have descended a number of the present claimants; that said Catharine Sizemore, a daughter of said Ned Sizemore married one James Hart, and had numerous sons and daughters among whom were Catharine who married one Baldwin and subsequently married one Caldwell, and Margery who married Robert Hash, and settled in Grayson Co., Va., near the Va., and N. C. State line, Ned Hart, who settled in Ashe county, N. C., from whom have descended a number of the present claimants. Affiant further states that said Ned Sizemore had every appearance of being a full blood Indian; that he claimed to be a member of the Cherokee tribe and was so recognized by the said Cherokee tribe and members thereof; that he was recognized and treated by his neighbors and acquaintances in Ashe county, N. C., and Grayson county, Va., as a full blood Indian.

Affiant states these facts from his own personal knowledge and observation and has no interest direct or indirect in the claim of the descendants of Ned Sizemore to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Given under my hand this 11th day of August, A. D. 1896.  
Attest [Signed] his  
J. H. BARTON, WILLIAM X PRICE  
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of August, A. D. 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William Price and know him to be a person of truth and credibility.

Given under my hand this day and date first above written.  
[Signed] M. C. HASH, J. P.

(The foregoing is a copy of an affidavit filed with the Hon. Dawes Commission in the claim of Cornelia Peak for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.)

Official character and genuineness of signature of Justice certified by Clerk of Court under seal of Court.)



In the Matter of the Claim of the Descendants of Ned Sizemore to  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.:

INDIAN TERRITORY, } ss.  
Cherokee Nation.

On this, the 2nd day of September, A. D., 1898, personally appeared before me, the undersigned Notary Public, within and for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, William A. Lewis, aged seventy-nine years, whose postoffice address is Ft. Gibson, Cherokee Nation, I. T., who, after being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is a Cherokee by birth and came to the Indian Territory with the Cherokee tribe on its migration from the east, that he was well acquainted with the majority of the members of said tribe who so migrated as well as of those who remained in the east; that he was well and personally acquainted with one Ned Sizemore, in North Carolina, old Cherokee Nation, and knows that he was always recognized and treated as a Cherokee Indian, and from the appearance of said Sizemore and his acquaintance with him, affiant knows him to have been a Cherokee Indian by blood and of the full blood; that he knew said Sizemore from about the year 1822, in North Carolina, and believes that said Sizemore was enrolled in the Cherokee enrollment of about that date, and again in the Wafford enrollment.

Affiant further states that he knew one James Hart, whom he believes to have been so enrolled and who married Catharine, the daughter of said Ned Sizemore, and affiant also remembers that said Ned Sizemore had a son by name of Owen and also another son by name of George. Affiant further states that said Ned Sizemore and his family, on the migration of the Cherokees to the Indian Territory, remained in North Carolina and from the best of his information he believes that said Ned Sizemore afterwards settled, lived and died in Ashe County, North Carolina.

Affiant states these facts from his own personal knowledge. Affiant states that he was born and partially reared a near neighbor to the Sizemore and Hart families, and was familiar with them, in school and as playmates and associates.

Given under my hand and seal this the day and date first above written.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 2nd day of Sept., 1898.

My commission expires

[SEAL]

Notary Public.

## Affidavit of Witness.

INDIAN TERRITORY, } ss.  
Cherokee Nation.

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, personally appeared J. H. Barton, who after being by me duly sworn states that he is 65 years of age, and a resident of Ashe County, and State of North Carolina, whose postoffice address is Waverly, in said County, and that he is personally acquainted with William W. Davis, who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said William W. Davis is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for citizenship in said Nation, and that he has known the said applicant for the past 25 years and knows that he is and has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as a person having Cherokee blood; and that the complexion, physical appearance, language and manners of the said applicant indicate that he is of Cherokee blood. That from above facts and circumstances and from statements made to him by the said applicant affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said applicant is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10 day of September, A. D., 1898.  
M. H. Roberts, Notary Public.

My Commission expires, March 7, 1900.

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No. ....

IN THE MATTER OF

William W. Davis

Chancellor

Nation, I. T.

P. J. J. Va.

Respectfully

Filed for the

A. S. McKinnon

John Baldwin

Silas Cook

MC



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF North Carolina } ss.  
COUNTY OF Ashe

Before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared William W. Davis who after being by me duly sworn states that he is 36 years of age, and a citizen of Ashe County, and State of North Carolina and that he is personally acquainted with William W. Davis who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said William W. Davis is the identical person he represents himself to be in his application for citizenship in said Nation, and that the said William W. Davis is a son of Jessie Davis who was a daughter of Mary Ann Hart who was a daughter of Catharine Hart who was a daughter of Red Sijemore who was a Cherokee Indian of the full blood; and is the father of the following named minor children: Neldah Davis, Phoebe E. Davis, William M. Davis, Lena L. Davis.

Affiant further states that he has known the said William W. Davis for the past 50 years and knows that he is and has been recognized and treated by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as a person having Cherokee Indian blood; and that the complexion, physical appearance, language and manners of the said William W. Davis indicate that the said William W. Davis is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to him by the said William W. Davis affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said William W. Davis is of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said William W. Davis to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and that he is not related by blood or marriage to the said William W. Davis.

Attest,

J. H. Barton

William W. Davis

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11 day of Aug. A. D., 1896, and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William W. Davis and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.

My commission expires on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1896.

M. C. Nash, J. P.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss.  
ASHE COUNTY.

I, POINDEXER BLEVINS, Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, do certify that M. C. Nash, Esq., whose name is signed to the foregoing certificate, was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for said county and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine. Witness, my hand and seal of said Court, this 19 day of August 1896.

P. Blevins  
Clerk Superior Court.

**End**





SERVICE AFFIDAVIT.

INDIAN TERRITORY, } ss.  
Cherokee Nation.

I, R. L. RUDISILL, do solemnly swear that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the Postoffice at Vinita, I. T., addressed to S. H. MAYES, Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., that registry receipt, No. 488, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Gus Callett

and of the affidavits of M. M. Edmunsaw, Gus. Callett  
Jerry Lane

in support of same. That affiant has no interest in this matter.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

R. L. Rudisill  
N. S. Stanley

REGISTRY RECEIPT.			
Post Office at		VINITA. SEP. 2 1899 Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.	
Registered Letter (Cancel)	No. 488	Rec'd	189 .
of M. M. Edmiston			
addressed to J. H. Mayes Sahlinquah Ind Dd Trayson P. M.			

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the Honorable, THE DAWES COMMISSION, duly appointed and authorized to hear and determine applications for citizenship in the Indian Territory:

In re-application of Geo. Catlett for Citizenship

in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Your petitioner, Geo. Catlett, being duly sworn, represents that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood and entitled to the rights, privileges and benefits of Indians of the Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

That Rebecca Barrett petitioner's grandmother whose name, petitioner believes, appears on the Cherokee Indian rolls, regularly made and adopted in the year 1835, was a Cherokee Indian by blood, through whom petitioner claims his rights to Citizenship in said Nation, together with the rights of his children. The names, age and sex of said children are as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	SEX.
<u>Annie Barrett nee Catlett</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Female &amp; daughter</u>
<u>Ida Catlett</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Ida</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Katie</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Ray Barrett</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>grand son</u>

That neither your petitioner or ancestors have, at any time, taken a reservation in the old Cherokee country or upon any neutral Indian lands.

That petitioner is 56 years of age, and a resident of Nashville, Mo.

Your petitioner further states that he has not, to the best of his knowledge, violated any of the laws or treaties governing the rights of Cherokee Indians or those claiming rights as such and that his name not appearing on the rolls of said Indians is no fault of petitioner.

Your petitioner herewith submits the evidence he desires considered and prays that on the final hearing in the premises, his name and that of his children be placed on the rolls to be prepared, and applicant's rights, with those of his said children, be determined as per the proof herewith, and the laws and treaties governing.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

Geo. Catlett  
Sept day of 1896  
Henry E. D. Baker, Notary Public.

My commission expires May 11-1900.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
INDIAN TERRITORY ) SS AFFIDAVIT OF M. M. EDMINSTON.  
NORTHERN DISTRICT )

M. M. Edminston, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That he is a resident of Vinita, Indian Territory and is 46 years of age and that shortly before August 29th, 1896, affiant was employed by George Catlett of Nashville, Missouri to represent him in his claim for citizenship before the Dawes Commission, he, George Catlett, advising affiant that he had heretofore filed his claim together with the affidavits of Applem and Amy Catlett, and directed affiant to proceed to secure the said affidavits or copies thereof if possible in support of his application before the Dawes Commission and that on August 29th, 1896, affiant wrote a letter to Chief Mays of Tahlequah asking ~~that~~ <sup>for</sup> the copies or original papers filed before the Cherokee Council, at affiant's expense in case of George Catlett, which affidavits were desired for the purpose of supporting his, George Catlett's case before said Dawes Commission; that a copy of said letter is hereunto attached marked exhibit "A", to which reference is made; and that M.M.Edminston saw said letter registered by Postmaster at Vinita, took a receipt therefore No. 192, which receipt is hereunto attached marked Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, and that subsequently affiant received through the post-office at Vinita a receipt for said package, which receipt is No. 192 and signed by S.H.Mays by G.Y.Gulagee, which receipt of hereunto attached marked Exhibit "C", to which reference is made, and since which time affiant has had no information in reference to the George Catlett papers from Chief Mays or the Executive Department at Tahlequah concerning the papers desired, excepting a general communication from a gentleman who represented himself as be authorized by the Chief to answer affiant's letters in reference to papers claimed to be on file in the Executive Department and stating in said letter that the Chief refused to surrender such papers, etc, except under recent act of a special session of Council, which letter is attached and a copy of the act of

Affidavit of M.M. Edminston in Catlett case (2)

Council to the Mary A. Singleton case No. , on file with the Dawes Commission.

Wherefore affiant as the attorney of George Catlett prays that the affidavits herewith of said George Catlett which give in substance the contents of the affidavits referred to, be considered in connection with his claim for citizenship and for such other relief as may be proper.

M M Edminston

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the day of September, A.D., 1896

W. A. Standfield  
Notary public within and for the Northern District of the Indian Territory.  
Notary Public, Northern District of the Indian Territory.  
Superintendent of the Indian Territory.

M. M. Edmiston

-LAWYER, Vinita, I. T. J-29-96

Chief Magistrate,

Tahlequah, I. T.

Sir,

Please send copies or original  
papers filed before the Cherokee Council  
at my office in Case Geo. Callahan  
to be used before the Hon. James  
Cowan in his case,

Very truly

M. M. Edmiston

Atty for Geo. Callahan

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REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Vineta I. I.  
Registered <sup>Letter</sup> <sub>Parcel</sub> No. 192 Rec'd Aug 29, 1896  
of Mr. M. M. Carrington

addressed to J. H. Mayes Chief  
Tablegraph I. I.  
St. August L. P. M.

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County of IND.

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<sup>\*Reg. Parcel</sup> Addressed to Chief Manager  
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PARCEL.

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\* Erase letter or parcel according to which is sent.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
INDIAN TERRITORY ) SS AFFIDAVIT OF GEORGE CATLETT.  
NORTHERN DISTRICT )

George Catlett, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That he resides at Nashville, Missouri and is 56 years of age; that the name of affiant's mother was Ann Catlett nee Sturgeon and her mother, affiant's grand mother was named Rebecca Sturgeon nee Sterrett and that Rebecca Sturgeon nee Sterrett was a Cherokee Indian by blood and her name should appear on the rolls of 1835 and affiant is advised and believes it does so appear upon the said rolls as a Cherokee of the Old Nation in Tennessee.

Affiant has four children, Anna Barrett nee Catlett,

Daisy, Cora and Hattie and has a grand child, son of Anna Barrett, named Rex Barrett, as stated in affiant's application for citizenship; That affiant has never and to the best of his knowledge his said ancestors have never taken allotment in the old Cherokee Nation or upon neutral Indian lands.

About five years ago affiant filed his application before the Cherokee National Council at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, asking that his name and that of his said family be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation and that said application was supported by the evidence in affidavit form of Appleman and Amy Catlett and that said affidavit contained substantially the following facts; that affiant here, and applicant for citizenship aforesaid, was the son of Ann Catlett nee Sturgeon and that her mother, affiant's grand mother was named Rebecca Sturgeon nee Sterrett, and that Rebecca Sturgeon nee Sterrett was a Cherokee Indian by blood and that her name should appear upon the rolls of the Tennessee Cherokee Indians taken in the year 1835 of said Indians by the United States Government and that they believe it did so appear and that said Rebecca Sturgeon nee Sterrett was a Cherokee Indian by blood

Affidavit of George Catlett (2)

and affiant believes the facts stated in said affidavits to be true and that the matters and things herein stated by affiants are true according to his information and believe, the said information having come to him as family history and tradition.

That affiant employed as counsel to present his claim before the Dawes Commission, M.M. Edminston, of Vinita, Indian Territory, and directed him to proceed and if possible secure the evidence referred to as having been filed with the Cherokee Senate at Tablequah and that he is advised by said M.M. Edminston that he has endeavored to secure the said evidence and has failed.

WHEREFORE, affiant prays that the recollection of the substance of said affidavits be considered by the Honorable Dawes Commission in connection with his case.

Geo Catlett

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 7 day of September, A.D., 1896.

W. J. Mansfield  
Notary Public within and for the Northern District of the Indian Territory.  
Notary Public, My Commission Expires  
September 17th, 1899.

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Geo. Catlett  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1896

H. W. Jackson  
Sey

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Accepted

M. M. HARRISON  
CLERK



Cherokee Nation }  
Indian Territory } S.S.

Jerry Lane being duly sworn on oath says:  
That he is 83 years of age, and lives about 17 miles  
S. E. of Vinita Indian Tr., and at one time was a  
resident of Tennessee, and while living in Tennessee  
was well and personally acquainted with Rebecca  
Starrett. That Rebecca Starrett married a  
man by the name of Simpson Sturgeon.  
That said Rebecca Sturgeon had a daughter  
named Ann Sturgeon. That said Ann Sturgeon  
married a man by the name of Samp Catlett,  
petitioner's father. And that Rebecca Starrett  
was a half blood Cherokee Indian, and  
recognized as such by the Cherokee Tribe of  
Indians

Attest R. L. Rudin

Jerry Lane  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th  
day of September 1896

W. A. Stanfield,

**End**





No 358

W.M. Clewinger & Co

v.s.

Cohen's Nation

Appeal Order of  
U.S. Court

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# NOTICE.

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United States of America,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

In the United States Court for said District.  
In the matter of the application of  
W. M. Clevenger et als  
to be  
enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

TO THE Commission to the five civilized tribes:

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of  
Wm. M. Clevenger, Geo Clevenger, John Clevenger, Mary Clevenger, Eva  
Woods and Nancy Kirk et als

to be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation, from said  
Commission

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested  
by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a  
transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the  
depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original  
papers relating thereto.

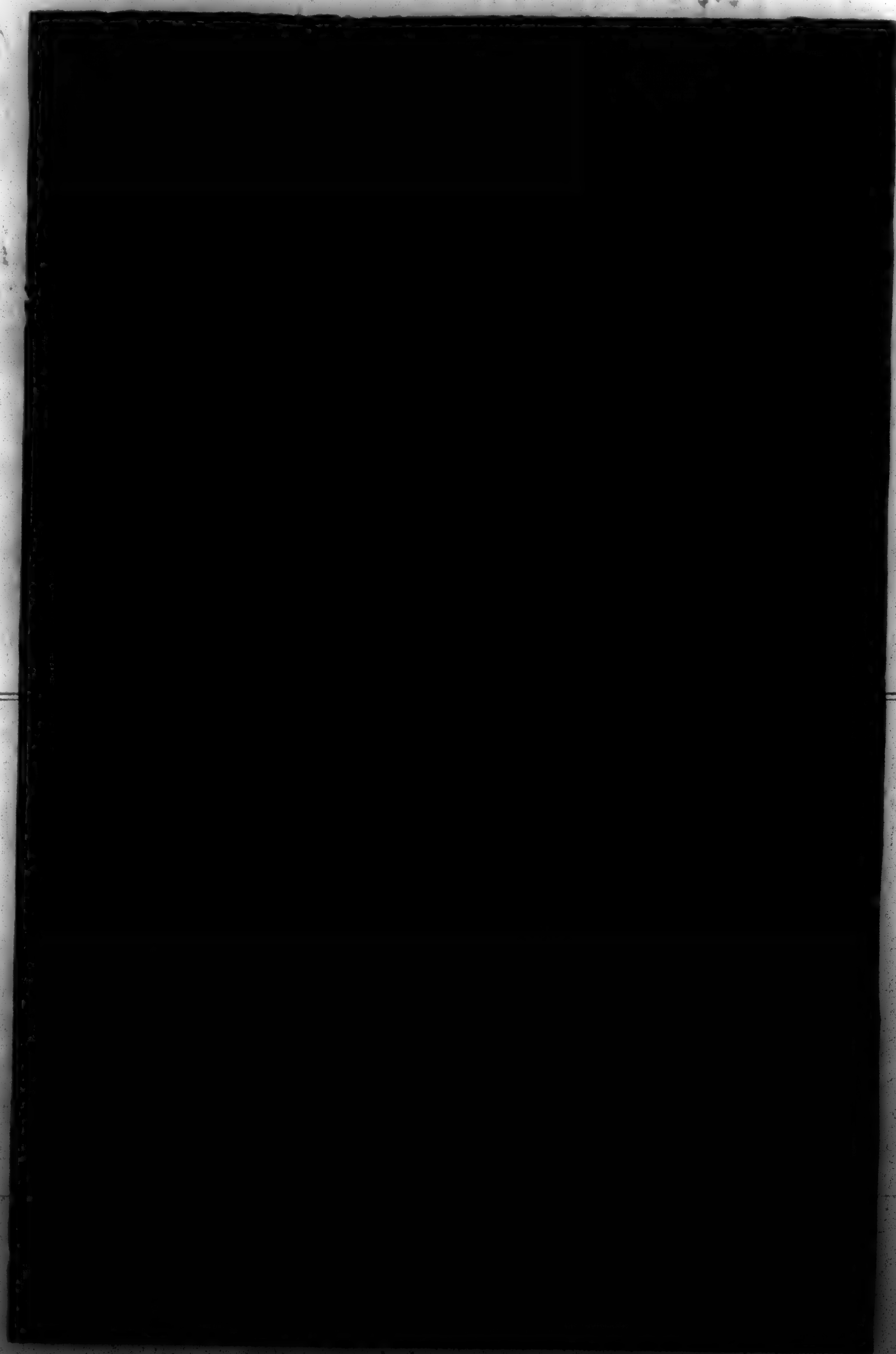
Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the  
seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the 19th day of  
Dec. 1896 A.D. 189

*Jas Alburtson*  
Clerk.

**End**




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State of North Carolina, Caldwell County  
Personally appeared before me James V. McCall  
Clerk of Superior Court of said County John L. Sink  
of Caldwell County North Carolina, and after being  
duly sworn, deposes and says that he is 74  
years old, and has been acquainted with the  
Hilton family all his life and are satisfied they  
are of the Indian Tribe of the Cherokee Indians  
Betsey Hilton was a daughter of Peter Hilton  
who was said by the old settlers of the neighbor-  
hood to be a full blooded Cherokee Indian  
and Peter Hilton's daughter was the wife  
of William Ervin and his son Hugh Ervin  
was the father of Covey L. Ervin who is a  
Petitioner for citizenship in the Indian  
Territory. Witness my hand and seal this 22<sup>nd</sup>  
day of August 1896.

witness

J. V. McCall J. C. Sink   
Subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned  
authority on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1896 and I certify  
that the said J. C. Sink is a responsible and  
credible person worthy of belief and that I am not  
interested in the matter to which this Affidavit relates.  
Witness my hand and seal of office on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of  
August 1896

J. V. McCall Clerk  
Superior Court Caldwell Co.  
N.C.



Nation's No. 2468

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

are Application of

Geo. C. Arney

**Demurrer and Answer.**

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A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Eve C. Arney*

Nation's No. *2468*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *John Hilton*

through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *a* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*Hastings, Hastings & Bausch* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *22* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Application for  
Citizenship in  
Chester Nation  
Mrs. Eva LeLong

William + Grannell  
attorneys for applicant  
Shreveport, La.



Eva L. Arney  
Cherokee Nation } argument

Hon. Henry L. Dawes and gentle  
men of the Commission:

This is an application of Mrs. Eva  
L. Arney for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Tribe of Indians who  
claims right by blood.

The facts in the case show that  
she is descended from Peter Hel-  
ton a full blood Cherokee Ind-  
ian. Her lineage is traced through  
Petsy Helton daughter of Peter who  
married William Erwin of this mar-  
riage was born Hugh Erwin father  
of this applicant making her  
~~one-fourth~~ one-eighth and her  
children one-sixteenth.

The affidavit of W. R. Arken  
who is entirely disinterested estab-  
lish these facts beyond question  
and it is supported and corroborat-  
ed in every material fact by  
the affidavit of J. L. Hines who  
also has no interest whatever in  
the case.

Mrs. Arney herself makes oath  
to her husband and children  
and with the facts before us  
we can confidently ask your

Honorable body to render judgment admitting her to citizenship and that you enroll her together with her husband and children whose names and ages properly appear in the petition herewith filed as citizens of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

Willinson & Trammell  
attys. for applicant

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Huncheon D.T.*  
Registered Letter No. *46* Rec'd *Sept 2. 1896*  
of *W. H. Walker*  
*J. C. Huncheon D.T.*  
addressed to *Fort Sumner, N.M.*  
*Telliquah Indian*  
*J. C. Middleton*



Indian Territory /  
Southern District of Ind.

I J. B. Wilkinson do  
solemnly swear that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day  
of September 1896 I saw a package  
registered at the post office at Hun-  
lan Ind. Ter. address to Governor  
Harris ~~Gahleguah Indian Territory~~  
Governor or Chief of the Cherokee  
Nation Gahleguah Ind. Ter.  
That registry receipt No. 56 received  
from postmaster hereto attached is  
a receipt for said package which  
contained true copies of the affidavits  
of Eva Le Arney and of the affi-  
davits of W. R. Allen & J. L. Smith  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to be-  
fore me on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Sept. 1896  
R. L. March  
Notary Public

File No. ....

Office No. ....

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

FILED BY

*[Signature]*

*Duncan* Ind. Ter.

Attorneys for Applicant.

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# APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP.

United States of America, Indian Territory, ss.

THE HON. HENRY L. DAWES, CHAIRMAN DAWES COMMISSION, VINITA, I. T.

Your petitioner, the undersigned, being duly sworn on Her oath, respectfully states that Her name is Evey C. Arney, age 54 years. post office address Harriman Tennessee, and that She is entitled by Blood to citizenship in the Indian Territory for the following reasons:

Cherokee tribe of Indians of the Indian Territory for the following reasons  
Peter Hilton a full blood Cherokee Indian married on Miss Sarah Stanley in the State of N.C. of this marriage was born a daughter on Peter Hilton who married William Ervin and this marriage born Hugh Ervin who married gemina Taylor the Father of this Applicant

That her family and relationship consists of the following named persons: My Husband M. S. Arney age 51 years, and 7 children, as follows:

Edward S. Arney 26 years of age Franklin S. Arney 24 years of age John D. Arney 22 years of age Anna J. Arney 20 years of age Mamie B. Arney 18 years of age Peter V. Arney 15 years of age Mary J. Arney 12 years of age

And respectfully asks to be enrolled, together with each member of her family, as a member of the Cherokee tribe Indians in the Indian Territory.

Your petitioner states the above facts as the lawful grounds of her application for citizenship in the said Cherokee Nation, and prays that her claim may be investigated by your honorable body and that she be adjudged to be a citizen of said Cherokee Nation of Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining to such citizenship in accordance with the laws and treaties made with the said Nation of Indians.

WITNESS my hand, on this 28 day of August 1896.

Witnesses:

E. H. Dutcher  
J. K. Correll

Evey C. Arney  
mark

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 28 day of August 1896, and I certify that the Said Evey C. Arney is a responsible and creditable person worthy of belief, and that I am not interested in the matter to which this Application relates.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office on this 28 day of August 1896

E. W. Thompson  
Notary Public



No 1129 359-  
Application for  
Citizenship of  
Eva L. Loney  
Arney  
Cherokee Nation

Filed Sept 5-1944  
A.S. McKinnon  
Clerk

Rec'd

Willinson & Grammett  
attys. for applicants  
American A.G.

State of North Carolina Caldwell County  
personally appeared before me James V. McCall  
Clerk of Superior Court of said County W. R. Siken  
of Burke Co. N.C. and after being duly sworn  
deposed and Suggested that he is 74 years old  
and of his own knowledge knows that Betsey Helton  
was the daughter of Peter Helton and that Peter Helton  
was a full blooded Cherokee Indian I further  
state that Betsey Helton married one William  
- Ervin of Burke County and of that Union a  
Marriage was Born a son named Hugh who  
married Lemima Taylor and of that Marriage was  
Born Evey C. Arney who is the wife of M. S. Arney  
an Applicant for Citizenship in the Indian Territory  
witness my hand and seal  
This the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1896.

Witness

J. V. McCall

W. R. Siken

Subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned  
Authority on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1896  
and I certify that W. R. Siken is a responsible  
person and worthy of belief and that I am not  
Interested in the matter to which this affidavit  
relates witness my hand and seal of office on this  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1896

J. V. McCall  
Clerk of  
Caldwell Co., N.C.

**End**





Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

TALLEGUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY, Aug 28 1896

Received from Martha Dawes copies of

the following documents, to-wit:  
Petition of applicant and affidavit by  
Wm. R. Dawes and David Taylor

certified to by J. D. Taylor

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of Martha Dawes

for Cherokee citizenship.

By William Skutching EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.  
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# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Vinita, Indian Territory:

The undersigned Martha Davis your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That *Shu* is the *Daughter* of *Daughter* of one  
*John* *Sau* in *and the* *Brother* *Daughter* of one  
*John* *Wick* *and the* *Daughter* of one

Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived her Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That ~~name and~~ the name ... of said ancestor ... should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852. And your petitioner respectfully requests that *the same*

And your petitioner.....respectfully awaits the time ~~this~~ *his* application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 35 years; that Her postoffice address is Chula Vista, Cal. and that Her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	William Daws	M	16	Son	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Tahlequah, I. T.  
this, the 18 day of August, A. D., 1896  
Attest: J. B. Miller per J. B. Miller

Attest: *J. B. Miller* per — *John H. Miller*

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Tahlequah *Tl.*  
this, the *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *August*  
A. D., 189*6*  
*J. S. Boyles* Notary Public  
*Seventh District Tl.*  
Commission Expires July 19<sup>th</sup> 1899

Commission Expires July 19th. 1899



(Cherokee Nation, & Personally sworn before  
Indian District) me this day S. G. Bayles  
Notary Public Northern Division S. D. and  
authorized to administer oaths.

I say to you to me well known to be a  
Citizen of the Cherokee Nation and reputable  
and credible. Who after being by me  
duly sworn states as follows.

My name is Lloyd R. Davis, I am a  
Citizen of the Cherokee Nation by blood  
deriving the same from my Mother, Nancy  
Davis, who was the daughter of old John  
Melch who lived on Valley River Cherokee  
County North Carolina, My said Mother's  
name should appear upon the Census  
Rolls of 1835-44-51-52, also said John

John Melch name appears upon the Census  
Rolls of 1835. My Mother is my lawful  
sister. We had the same father and  
mother and a Cherokee Indian by blood,  
and is now an applicant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation before the House Davis  
Commission.

Lloyd R. Davis.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of August A.D. 1896.

S. G. Bayles Notary Public  
Northern Division S. D.  
Commission Expires July 19th, 1899.

No. 472

Charles Davis

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v.

Charles Watson

Filed Aug. 31, 1886.

H. W. Johnson  
Secretary

Cherokee Nation } On this day came before me  
Tahlequah District } S. B. Boyles Notary Public.  
myself for the Northern Division Indian Territory  
and authorized to administer oaths David Taylor  
to me well known to be credible, who after  
being duly sworn says

My name is David Taylor I am an  
Indian by blood ~~was~~ am personally and well  
acquainted with Martha Daws and son William  
Said Martha was the daughter of Noy Daws  
and the Grand daughter of Old John Walton  
who lived on Valley River Cherokee County  
North Carolina. Said Old John Walton was  
the father of  
Noy Daws the father of  
Martha. Now, Cherokee Indians  
by blood, and whose name should appear  
upon the Census Rolls of 1835-44-51-52.

Said Martha Daws and son William  
are Cherokee Indians by blood, deriving same  
through said Noy Daws and old John Walton  
as aforesaid, and are entitled to Cherokee  
Citizenship, and are at this time in  
the Cherokee Nation located in the Northern Division

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day  
of August A.D. 1896  
S. B. Boyles Notary Public  
Northern Division  
Commission Expires July 19th, 1899.



**End**



# Citizenship Document Receipt.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Received from

*J. N. Croome* *Aug 28*  
*F. H. Gibson*

BAHEQUAH, INDIAN TERRITORY.

1896

copies of

the following documents, to-wit:

*Application of Mrs. Jessie Morton Croome  
and affidants of Emily L. Clarke, B. M. Wade,  
Nora H. Norton and James Coleman in case of Mrs. Louisa  
Smith and same parties in case of Mrs. Jessie Morton Croome  
Application of Mrs. Porcella Smith  
certified to by M. W. L. Howell Notary Public*

as true and correct copies of the originals, and constituting all of the testimony submitted to the Dawes  
Commission in support of the claim of

*Above named Applicants*

for Cherokee citizenship.

By

*A. J. Bausman*  
*Atty for Cherokee Nation*

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY.



# Application for Cherokee Citizenship

To the Hon. Dawes Commission  
 The undersigned Respectfully Petitions  
 your honorable Body  
 for admission to Cherokee Citizenship in  
 the Cherokee nation under the Treaty of 1866  
 of said nation the United States, your Petition  
 States: That her immediate family  
 consists of the following named persons, for  
 whom she asks the Privileges of Cherokee  
 Citizenship with Petitioners to wit

Name	age years	Relationship
Mrs Lorella Smith	43	Mother
Willie P. "	17 "	Son
Nemida P. "	14 "	Daughter
Erskine J. "	11 "	"
Addie E. "	8 "	"
Wallace J. "	6 "	Son
Cleo M. "	3 "	Daughter

as grounds for asking admission to Citizenship  
 in the Cherokee nation your Petitioners States: I am  
 a full sister to Mrs B. M. Wade, Mrs. Norah Porter  
 and Mr James Coleman who live at Fort Gibson  
 I. S. I am also a first cousin to Mrs Emily C. Clarke  
 all of whom are Cherokee Citizens by blood and  
 are on the Cherokee Census Roll as such.

Respectfully Submitted  
 Lorella Smith

STATE OF TENNESSEE, Williamson COUNTY.

Personally appeared before me E. J. Greer a Notary  
 Public in and for said County and State, the within named Lorella  
 Smith the bargainor, with whom I am personally  
 acquainted, and who acknowledged that she executed the within Certificate  
 instrument for the purposes therein contained.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Raleigh  
 Tennessee, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. 1896  
 E. J. Greer Notary Public.

Affidavit of  
Mrs Emily C. Clarke  
" B. M. Wade  
" Norah Fortner  
By Mr Jas. Calman  
In the matter of  
Mrs Corolla Smith

"Original"

United States of America } Affidavit of Witnesses in  
Northern Judicial District } ss the matter of Mrs Corilla  
Fort Gibson Indian Territory } Smith (nee Coleman) Claim-  
ant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
Personally appeared before me a notary  
Public in and for the above named district  
Mrs Emily L. Clarke, Mrs B. M. Wade,  
Mrs Morah Fortner and Mr James Coleman  
whom I believe to be reputable and Enti-  
tled to Credit and who being by me duly  
sworn depose and State: We are Cherokee  
citizens by blood and our names are  
on the authenticated Census Roll of  
the Cherokee Nation. We further certify  
that we are well acquainted with the above  
named Corilla, Smith, as she is a sister  
to each of us except Mrs. Clarke, and she is  
a Cousin to Mrs Clarke and Grand Daughter  
of John Walker deceased whose Mrs. Emily Lea Clarke  
name should be found on the Cherokee census  
Roll of 1835-40-50-57-60-67  
B. M. Wade  
Mrs Morah Fortner  
James Coleman

The foregoing Affidavit was sworn and  
Subscribed to before me by the above  
named affiants Mrs Clarke, Mrs Wade, Mrs  
Fortner and Coleman at Fort Gibson Ind.  
This the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896  
my Comm. Expires Aug 1897 M. D. C. Dowell notary Public



Affidavit of  
Mrs Emily L. Clarke  
" B. M. Wade  
Norah Fortner  
and Mr Jas. Coleman  
In the matter of  
Jessie Morton Brown

"Original"

United States of America } Affidavit of Witnesses  
Northern Judicial District } ss. the matter of Jessie  
York Gibson and Sonitoy } Morton Crooner, Blue Smith  
Claimant for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation.

The names of the persons with Elizabeth Smith (nee Crooner) who is the mother of the said Blue Smith are as follows: John Walker, and Mrs. James Crooner. The names of the persons with whom the said Blue Smith was taken are as follows: Mrs. James Crooner, and the said Blue Smith.

Personally appeared before me a  
Notary Public in and for the above named  
district, Mrs. Emily C. Clarke, Mrs. B. M.  
Wade, Mrs. Nora Fortner and Mr. James Cole-  
man all of whom I believe to be reputable  
and entitled to credit and who bring before me  
duly sworn depositions and state as follows:

We are well acquainted with Mrs. Jessie  
Morton Crooner (nee Smith) and know her to  
be a daughter of John Crooner (deceased)  
and a daughter of Mrs. Corolla Smith (nee  
Coleman) who is an own sister to us  
each except Mrs. Clarke. And the said Corolla  
Smith who is Mrs. Crooner's mother is a  
first cousin to the above named Mrs. Clarke.  
We the undersigned affiants further certify  
that we are Cherokee Citizens by Blood  
and that our names are on the authentic  
Cherokee Census roll.

Mrs. Emily Lea Clarke

B. M. Wade

Mrs. Nora Fortner

James Coleman

The foregoing Affidavit was sworn and sub-

scribed to before me by the above named Mrs Clarke,  
Mrs Wade, Mrs Fortner, Mr Mr Calman at Fort Pitt  
con Id. This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

M. D. L. Dowell

Notary Public

My Comm Expires Aug 1897



No. 469 361  
Original

Application of  
Mrs. Jennie Morton Brown  
Claimant for Citizenship  
ship in the Cherokee  
Nation  
v.

Cherokee Nation

Filed Aug. 31-26.

H. W. Jackson  
Secretary

Repealed

F. J. Jackson  
D. S.

Original

Application for Cherokee Citizenship

To the Age Dances Commission

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The undersigned respectfully Petition  
Memorialize Your Hon. Body for admis-  
sion to the rights and Privileges of Citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation under the terms  
of Laws of said Nation and the United States,  
Your Petitioner States that her immediate  
family consists of the following named  
Persons, for whom she asks the Privileges  
of Citizenship with Petitioner to wit

Names	age	Petitioner names	age
Jessie Morton Croon	Mother 21	J. M. Walker	70 yrs
Maiden name		J. O. Walker	50 yrs
Jessie Morton Smith		James Coleman	40 yrs
Joseph Newton Croon	Son 6 yrs	Mrs. B. M. Wade	55 yrs
		John Walker	40 yrs

as grounds for asking admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation I, the undersigned, being a member of the Cherokee Nation, do hereby certify that the above named persons are the children of the undersigned and are entitled to the same rights and privileges as the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted  
Mrs. Jessie Morton Croon

Try also was sworn and Subscribed to  
before me by Mrs. Jessie Morton Croon this  
the 12th day of Aug 1890

M. D. C. Howell  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires Aug 1891

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Nation's No. ~~227~~ 361  
Commission's No. ~~227~~ 361

In re Application of  
*Mrs. Lorella Smith*  
and  
*Jessie Morton Croome*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 25 1896

A. S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mrs. Louella Smith*  
*Jessie Morton Brown*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *829*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicants are  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *John Walker*

through whom the petitioners claim to derive *their* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Antoine Hastings & Bandino* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *17th* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Bell*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Nation's No. 5020

Commission's No

In re Application of

*James and Audrey  
Cront et al.*

Demurrer and Answer.

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MAY 1961  
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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Jones & Andrew Crane et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. ....  
Commission's No. ....

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Joseph Watts*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hutchings, Hutchings & Boudinot* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**



Choctaw Nation, :  
Jacks Fork County, : Central Judicial District, Indian Territory.

To the Laws Commission:

Application of	: W. I. Carter,	R. L. Carter,	:
	: C. T. Carter,	Mary J. Pickins,	:
	: Amanda R. Reeves,	Sarah P. Goyns,	:

Your petitioners would most respectfully state, that they are Choctaw Indians by blood, they being the children and bodily issue of Mary Carter, deceased, whose maiden name was Mary Frazier, who was a Choctaw Indian by blood, and was a member of said Choctaw tribe of Indians at the time of their departure from the state of Mississippi.

That their said mother is now dead, she having departed this life on the \_\_\_\_ day of Dec. 1871.

Your petitioners would further state, that, the claim of W. I. Carter for citizenship in said Choctaw tribe, has been presented to the Choctaw Council, and at its last session in 1895, was referred to the Citizenship Committee, and favorably reported by them, but the said Council adjourned before passing upon said claim.

The application together with the testimony of Sim. Casey, Elipotuba, Mrs. Elizabeth Scheoppa, et. al. is now in the possession of Jacob Jackson National Secretary for the Choctaw Nation, who fails and refuses to return the same to your petitioners or their attorneys.

That the records and evidence in the possession of said Jacob Jackson as aforesaid is material in this cause, and shows that your petitioners are entitled to be enrolled as citizens of said Choctaw tribe. Your petitioners therefore ask that you issue a subpoena duces tecum.



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for said Jackson requiring him to produce said papers &c.

Your petitioners state that they have as their issue, the following  
named children respectively to wit;

The names of the children of W. I. Carter are

Buford Carter,

John Carter,

James Carter,

Samuel Carter,

Dudley Carter,

Mrs. Hettie Elliott,

Mrs. Georgia Murry,

Mrs. Sarah O. Wright,

The children of R. L. Carter, are

J. W. Carter,

T. J. Carter,

S. L. Carter,

Marion Carter,

Leon Carter.

The children of C. T. Carter are

Mrs. Lena Parr,

Lizzie Carter,

Cora Carter,

Malinda Carter.

The children of Mary J. Pickins are

Mrs. Savanna Harrison,

James A. Pickins,

Mrs. Mary A. Harrison,

Mrs. Minnie Anderson

W. M. Pickins,

The children of Amanda Reeves are

Mrs. E. C. Dean,

L. R. Reeves,

C. M. Reeves.

Mrs. Josie Griffith,

A. B. Reeves,

H. B. Reeves,

~~L. B. Reeves.~~

The children of Sarah P. Goyns are

William Goyns,

Newton Goyns,

Mary Goyns,

Mrs. Ester Ward,

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Lillian Goyns.

The name of the child of James Carter is Mary Carter.

The children of Hettie Elliott are

L. L. Elliott,

Lizzie Elliott,

Madora Elliott,

Golda Elliott.

The children of Georgia Murry are

Villa Murry,

Boyd Murry,

Elda Murry

Velma Murry.

The children of Sarah O. Wright are

Altus Wright,

Verden Wright.

Wherefore your petitioners ask that they together with their children and grand children be enrolled as Choctaw Indians. And in support of this their petition they submit the affidavit of Lizzie Scheoppe and W. I. Carter and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ together with the affidavits above referred to in possession of Jacob Jackson, National Secretary.

They would further state, that Sim. Casey, whose affidavit is in the possession of said Jackson is now dead, and it is impossible for them to procure his testimony, and his testimony is the most material of any of said witnesses.

*W. I. Carter*  
Respectfully.

*R. L. Carter*  
*C. J. Carter*  
*Mary J. Pickins*  
*Luckinda R. Rouse*  
*Sarah P. Goyns*  
*by J. H. Smith*

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Choctaw Nation,       :  
                              : Central Judicial District, Indian Territory.  
Jacks Fork County,   :

Personally appeared before me a Notary Public for said District, W. I. Carter one of the parties to the foregoing application, who on oath says, the statements therein contained are true.

Sworn to before me this 20 <sup>W. I. Carter</sup> day of August A. D. 1896.

J. Y. Schenck,  
Notary Public



No. 445362

Application for  
Citizenship of  
W. J. Carter et al.

U.S.

to show that

Filed Aug. 31-1896.

H. W. Johnson  
Secretary

Refused

attest, D. J.

Chickasaw Nation County of  
Tishomingo, Elizabeth M. Schoepfer of  
aforesaid County and Nation, being  
sworn before me Clerk of said  
County, says I am a Chickasaw Indian  
by blood and reside in aforesaid County  
and Nation, and I know the  
petitioner W. J. Carter, and after  
being at the Choctaw Council before  
the Committee of Citizenship I have  
recalled many things that I could  
not at that time, as I am very old,  
and had no time to study this  
matter over before I was called  
before the Committee of Citizenship  
and since that time, I remember  
the mother of W. J. Carter, whose maiden  
name was Mary Frazier, she was  
a Choctaw Indian by blood and  
she enjoyed all the rights and  
privileges as other Choctaws.  
The said ~~W. J. Carter~~ Mary Frazier,  
married a Chickasaw Indian  
whose name was John Carter.  
The said W. J. Carter is a Choctaw  
Indian by blood and are intitled  
to all the rights and privileges  
as such. My further the witness

saitk not. Ligg. Scheoppe  
Sworn to and subscribed before  
one <sup>Notary Public</sup> ~~County~~ Clerk of Tishomingo  
County, Chickasaw Nation.  
This the 27th day of September A.D.  
1895, N.M. Jones.

Notary Public Southern Division  
of the Indian Territory



Central Dist. Indian Territory

I J. H. Coveridge do solemnly swear that I am a Choctaw Indian and am a resident of Kiamitia County Choctaw Nation. That I was a member of the Choctaw Council at its regular session in Oct 1895, being the session from said Kiamitia County. And that I was one of the Committee on citizenship appointed at said Oct. session.

That at said Oct. session the claim of N. J. Carter was presented to said Council and was by it referred to the <sup>said</sup> Citizenship Committee and after hearing the testimony of Jim Casey Leggin Schaffer Elipotoba said Committee found that N. J. Carter was a Choctaw by blood and recommended that he be recognized as a Choctaw citizen and that he be entitled to

all the rights and franchises  
in said Chautau Tribe  
That the aforesaid ac-  
tion of said Committee  
was had at the close  
of said session. And  
was not on account of  
the space of business  
acted upon by said  
Committee. That the action of the Committee  
in each case according to the rule in  
each case is final and is always  
approved by the Council.

Subscribed and sworn  
to before me this 27<sup>th</sup>  
day of Aug. 1896.

John H. Carr

Notary Public

Central District  
Indian Territory

I W. J. Carter  
do solemnly swear that  
I am one of the children  
of Mary Carter decd. and that  
the following named persons  
are also my brothers and  
sisters and the children of  
my said mother Mary Carter  
to wit: R. L. Carter, C. J.  
Carter Mary J. Pickins  
Amanda R. News and Sarah  
P. Gaynes. That the names  
of my descendants and  
those of my said brothers  
and sisters as set forth  
in our application for  
citizenship are true and  
correct as therein stated  
W. J. Carter

Subscribed and sworn  
to before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1896.

J. Y. Schenck  
Notary Public.



Central District  
Indian Territory

I J. W. Frederick  
attorney for W. S. Carter et al.  
in the matter of their application  
for citizenship before the Dawes  
Commission do solemnly  
swear that I have on this  
the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896.  
mailed by registered <sup>letter</sup> enclosed  
in one ~~envelope~~ <sup>envelope</sup> and directed to Hon  
Jefferson Gardner Principal  
Chief of the Choctaw Nation  
at Cagletown Ind. Ter. a true  
copy of their application <sup>for citizenship</sup> Affidavits  
of Leggie Schoffa, Joe Everidge  
and W. S. Carter.

J. W. Frederick

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1896.

J. Y. Schenck,  
Notary Public.

**End**





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Nation's No. 4301

Commission's No .....

In re Application of 1902  
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Mary A. Driggers.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY-  
SEC,

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mary P. Driggers et al.*

Nation's No. ....

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Francis Boren*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *their* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hartings & Doudard* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *5* day of *Oct.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

No. 2086

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Cherokee Nation

Filed 8 Sept 1896

H. M. Brown  
clerk

Rejected

Farmersville  
Tex



To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes and others Composing the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes:

YOUR Petitioner

*Mary F. Drigger*

would state and show from the proof submitted to the Commission that she is a Cherokee by decent and by blood having been born in *Collins* County, State of *Texas* on *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *May* 18*61*. My fathers name was *John Siskels*

My mothers name was *Jane Siskels nee* *Burn* That I now reside *near Taylor Collins County Tex*

and have resided there for *16* years. And *I* he avers these facts can be established by proof to the satisfaction of the Commission under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. And *I* he further avers that these facts being proved *I* he is entitled to be adjudged under the laws of such Nation and the laws of the Congress of the United States and the treaties of such Nation with the United States, a citizen of such Nation, with all the rights, privileges and protection of Citizenship in such Nation. Wherefore *I* he herewith respectfully submit to the consideration of the Honorable Commission such proof and on the hearing *I* he be adjudged entitled to such citizenship and *his* name be placed upon the proper roll as a citizen of such Nation.

Signature

*Mary F. Drigger*  
*mark*



State of *Collins*  
County of *Texas* | *SS*

NOW on this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *Sept* 1896  
personally appeared before me *L. F. Miller*

*Mary F. Drigger* a Notary Public for said county and state  
who being  
duly sworn upon oath states that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are correct and true. Subscribed and sworn to before me this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *Sept* 1896.  
*L. F. Miller*

Notary Public.

*in and for Collins County*  
*Texas*

**End**

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No 364

Sarah J. Cradington et al  
vs.

Cherokee Nation

Appeal Order of  
U.S. Court.

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## NOTICE.

United States of America,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

NORTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

In the United States Court for said District.

In the matter of the application of

Sarah J. Crudrington et als

to be

enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

TO THE Commission to the five civilized tribes;

You are hereby notified that an appeal has been taken in the matter of the application of  
Sarah J. Crudrington and her children

to be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation, from said  
Commission

to the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, and that your tribunal is requested  
by said Court to transmit at the earliest time practicable to said Court, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, a  
transcript of all the entries made in the docket of your tribunal relating to the case, together with the  
depositions and testimony taken before said tribunal; the decision thereof on the application, and all original  
papers relating thereto.

Witness the Honorable William M. Springer, Judge of said Court, and the  
seal thereof, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, the 11th day of  
Dec. 1896. A.D. 189

*William M. Springer* Clerk.





No. *3915*

PETITION OF

*Margaret M. Hallman*

for and on behalf of

*herself*

and heirs

FILED SEPT. 9. 1896. ☆

→A. S. MCKENNON←

→CLERK←

*James Watts*

Attorney for Petitioner.

Million

Margaret ~~Thompson~~

Affidavit of J. J. [unclear]  
+ J. B. [unclear]

Respectfully Submitted,

attached, as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
Margaret Williams Died		A. Character
Jerry F.	64	by blood as
Oliver D.	10	is shown by proof herewith filed

*[Signature]* 1896

day Sept 1896  
Margaret Millman

Indian Territory

Cherokee Nation

I W. M. Blackard do solemnly  
swear that on this 8 day of  
Sept, 1896 I delivered to Sam H. Mays  
Principal Chief of the Cherokee  
Nation at Tahlequah IA a true  
copy of the applications affidavits  
and other documents herewith attached  
in case of Margaret M. M. M. L.  
Cherokee Nation.

W. M. Blackard  
Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 8th day of Sept 1896  
Jesse H. Hutto  
Notary Public



To The Hon Doves Com  
Sethman:

In the claim of  
Margaret Millman for citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation  
we submit that the  
above named claimant  
is the grand daughter of  
Selling Tappin who was considered  
a Cherokee Indian, as is shown  
by the affidavits of Jeremiah  
Thomas & Geo. B. Smith.

Therefore we ask that  
they be granted the full rights  
and benefits of Cherokee  
Citizenship  
Jesse H. Webb  
Atty for Petitioner

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS

STATE OF Illinois  
COUNTY OF Crawford } ss.

Before Me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Jeremiah Phares who after being by me, duly sworn states that he is 72 years of age, and a citizen of, Crawford County and State of Illinois and that he is personally acquainted with Margaret Millman (late Pennysun) Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said M. Millman is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation and that the said

Margaret Millman is the grand daughter of one Sallie Sear, who always claimed to be nearly a full blood Cherokee Indian from all reports of her I fully believe her claim was true. Sallie Sear married a man named Bell by whom she had a daughter named Margaret who married Martin Pennysun who was the Father of the present claimant.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Margaret Millman for the past 25 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as a person having some Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Margaret Millman indicate that the said M. Millman is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to him by the said M. Millman

Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said M. Millman is of one sixth Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said M. Millman to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

Jeremiah Phares

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of February A. D. 1894 and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Jeremiah Phares and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.

Levin B. Swick

Notary Public.

My commission expires on the 21 day of July 1894  
Joseph P. Byers, Attorney at Law.

W. G. CASE, ARTIST PRINTER, FT. SMITH, ARK.

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS

STATE OF Illinois  
COUNTY OF Crawford } ss.

Before Me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared Levi B. Sweet who after being by me, duly sworn states that he is 54 years of age, and a citizen of, Crawford County and State of Illinois and that he is personally acquainted with Margaret Millman (nee Perryman) who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said M. Millman is the identical person she represents her self to be in her application for citizenship in said Nation and that the said Margaret Millman is the grand daughter of Sallie Asair who always claimed to be nearly full blood Cherokee Indian, and from all her actions and accounts of believe her statement was true, the said Sallie Asair married a man named Bell by whom she had a daughter named Margaret who married Martin Perryman the father of the claimant.

Affiant further states that he has known the said Margaret Millman for the past 30 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as a person having some Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said M. Millman indicate that the said M. Millman is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to him by the said Margaret Millman Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said M. Millman is of one eighth Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim of the said Margaret Millman to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T.  
Levi B. Sweet

Subscribed and sworn to before me this    day of    A. D. 189    
and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said Levi B. Sweet  
and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.  
W. R. Emmons  
Notary Public.

My commission expires on the 21 day of July 1896  
Joseph P. Biers, Attorney at Law.

A. B. GARD, ARTIST PRINTER, FT. SMITH, ARK.



Nation's No. 2556

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Margaret X Millson*  
*et al*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28, 1896. ☆

→ A. S. McKENNON ←

→ COM'R ←

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of.....

*Margaret Milzner*  
*et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2556*

Commission's No. ....

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that..... *Sam Adams*

..... through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hodgins, Hutchings & Bandier* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*J. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





Nation's No. 2673

Commission's No

In re Application of

P. W. Johnson  
Et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McKEENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*B. W. Johnson et al*

Nation's No. *2573-*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Johnson* through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Adairs, Hitchings & Bannister* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



Indian Territory,  
Cherokee Nation

I W M Blackard do solemnly  
swear that on this 5th day of  
Sept 1896 I delivered to Sam H Mays  
Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation  
at Tahlequah, Ok. a true copy of the  
applications affidavits and other  
documents herewith attached in case  
of R M Johnson Et al. vs.  
Cherokee Nation. W M Blackard  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 5 day of Sept 1896.

Jas Hetta  
Notary Public

To the Hon Board of Commrs  
Vermont ss. J.  
Gentlemen:

In behalf of claim  
of R. W. Johnson and  
himself the claim & state

That R. W. Johnson is  
a son of Wesley Johnson  
and grand son of George  
Walker Johnson who was  
a Cherokee Indian as  
is proven by evidence  
herewith submitted.

We respectfully ask  
that as the claimants  
are of Cherokee descent

that they be enrolled as  
such on mixed rolls  
now being prepared  
by you.

Yours truly  
J. W. Matts  
Atty for Petition

The State of Texas }  
County of Wise }

Before me the undersigned authority  
this day personally appeared R. W.  
Johnson, to me well known who  
being duly sworn: deposes & says  
"My name is R. W. Johnson, age 69  
yrs old, Post Office Decatur Texas  
and I am a Grand-son of George  
Walker Johnson who lived & died in  
Wicks County North Carolina, who was  
a Brother of Jas. Johnson & Andrew  
Johnson all of Wicks Co N.C.  
And I am the Father of the following  
named children "to wit";  
Louisa A. Hale, Dicy E. Wails &  
J. F. Johnson, all of whom now live  
in Wise Co Texas,  
R. W. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1886

A. Devereaux  
Notary Public  
Wise Co Tex



Affidavit of  
R. W. Johnson



1  
2 Supplemental deat.  
3 Cherokee nation.

4 On this the 4 day of  
5 August 1896 I appeared before  
6 Mr. M. O. G. H. H. H. a Notary Public in  
7 and for the northern part of the  
8 State of Georgia who on oath states  
9 that he is a Cherokee Indian and  
10 that his post office address is P. O. Box  
11 27 and that his age is 52 years.  
12 and affirms that he lived  
13 back in the old Cherokee nation now  
14 N. C. and that he was acquainted  
15 with Andy Johnson and Joe Johnson  
16 who were both Cherokees by blood.  
17 and lived in the old nation now  
18 N. C. I was well acquainted  
19 with Joe and Andy Johnson  
20 and know they were both Cherokees  
21 by blood. I don't know  
22 whether they ever came to  
23 this nation or not.

24 But I wanted ask that all  
25 their legal Cherokee demands  
26 be admitted to Cherokee  
27 citizenship.

28 George C. D. Davis

29 Subscribed to and sworn before me  
30 this 4 day August 1896

31 My Com. & Jan 16. 99.

32 M. O. G. H. H. H.

Notary Public  
North Carolina Dist. S. T.





No.

PETITION OF

J. T. Johnson  
for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner.

GENE STEAK PRINTING HOUSE, BECKTON, TEXAS

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, *United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation :*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, J. F. Johnson  
for and on behalf of himself  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll as Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the following

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.  
Respectfully submitted,

**Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows :**

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
✓ J. T. Johnson	40	Applicant
✓ Joseph Johnson	33	Wife
✓ Minnie Johnson	17	Daughter
✓ Robt. A. Johnson	14	Son
✓ Wendell O. Johnson	12	Son
✓ Mary L. Johnson	6	Daughter

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1896

O. J. Johnson

No. \_\_\_\_\_

PETITION OF

*Diez & Wails*  
for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner.



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY. *United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, Diez & Wails  
for and on behalf of Harney &  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the removal roll as Cherokee In-  
dians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the following affidavits

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when any application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:**

[illegible]

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aug at  
*Living E. Wright.*

No.

PETITION OF

*R. T. Paul*

for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner.

WINDY STAR PRINTING HOUSE, BEAUFORT, TEXAS

At

PETITION OF

*R. T. Paul*

for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner:



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, *United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, R. T. Paul  
for and on behalf of himself +  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll as Cherokee In-  
dians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the following affidavit

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows :**

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
R T Paul	24	Applicant
Sallie Paul	27	Wife
Jasen Paul	3 Mo	Son

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

R T Paul

No.

PETITION OF

*Ella Selsby*

for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner.

WINDY CLOTH PRINTING HOUSE, BOSTON, MASS.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, *United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, Ella Setser  
for and on behalf of Her self &  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll as Cherokee In-  
dians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the the following affidavit

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
✓ Ella Setzer	27	Applicant
✓ E.S. Setzer	42	Husband
✓ Earnest Setzer	8	Son
✓ Coleman Setzer	5	Son
✓ Pearl Setzer	1	Daughter

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

day of May  
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No.

PETITION OF

*Louisa A. Hale*

for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner.

NEW ORLEANS PRINTING HOUSE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY. United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, Louisa A. Hale  
for and on behalf of my self &  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll as Cherokee In-  
dians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the following affidavit

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.  
Respectfully submitted,

Louisa A. Hale

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
✓ Louisa A. Hale	47	Applicant
✓ John Hale	68	Husband
✓ Ella Setser	27	Daughter (married)
✓ R. T. Paul	24	son (married)
✓ Ed - Paul	20	son
✓ Alma Paul	18	Daughter
✓ Pearl Paul	16	Daughter
✓ Fester Paul	12	son
✓ Embur Paul	10	son
✓ Leroy Paul	8	son

In witness of which I herunto set my hand on this 11th day of August 1896.  
Louisa A. Hale

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
PETITION OF  
**R. W. Johnson**  
for and on behalf of

and heirs

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*will attend  
to in  
54th  
family*

Attorney for Petitioner.

WILLIAMS PRINTING HOUSE, DALLAS, TEXAS



APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY. *United States Commissioners authorised by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation:*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioners

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, R. H. Johnson  
for and on behalf of my self & family  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll as Cherokee In-  
dians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their  
Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the the following affidavit

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows :

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
✓ R. W. Johnson	69	Applicant
✓ Louisa A. Hale	47	Daughter
✓ Dicy E. Wail-	42	Daughter
✓ J. F. Johnson	40	Son

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

R. W. Johnson

No. *39 M*  
PETITION OF

*R. W. Johnson*

*And Heirs*  
and heirs

FILED SEPT. 9 1896. ☆  
A. S. McKENNON  
COM'R

*James H. Hatt*

Attorney for Petitioner



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
 THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, United States Commissioners  
 authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in  
 the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, *R. W. Johnson*  
 for and on behalf of *himself*  
 and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
 Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
 their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the *affidavit of*

In support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when *my* application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted

*R. W. Johnson*

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
<i>R. W. Johnson</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>Son of Wesley Johnson</i>
<i>Wesley "</i>	<i>Dead</i>	<i>Son of Geo Walker Johnson</i>
<i>Geo Walker "</i>		<i>was a Bro Geo &amp; Andy Johnson</i>
		<i>who lived in Wilkes Co N.C.</i>



In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 1896.  
*R. W. Johnson*  
*Notary Public*  
 Sworn to & subscribed  
 before me this *24<sup>th</sup>* day  
 of *August* 1896



**End**



Indian Territory

Quoted Station

I W. W. Blackard Do solemnly swear

that on 7th Day of Apr

1890 I delivered to Sam H. Mayer

Principal Chief of the Cherokee

Station at Milledgeville, Ga.

A true copy of application

of title and other documents

in case of Mrs Mary E. Ellis

U. S. District Court

W. W. Blackard.

Subscribed and sworn to before

me this 7th Day of Apr 1890

at Milledgeville, Ga.

Notary Public



To The Hon. Dewey Com  
Gentlemen:

In the claim of  
Mrs. Mary P. Ellis for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation we  
submit that petitioner is an  
Cherokee Nation Indian, and in  
support of which we  
submit the affidavits of  
J. Estes.

Wherefore we ask that  
said claimant be admitted  
to Cherokee Citizenship.

Respectfully,  
J. M. H. H. H.  
Att'y for Plaintiff.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Georgia  
COUNTY OF DeKalb

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid personally appeared J. Estes & M. M. Ellis who after being by me duly sworn states that he is 87 years of age, and is a citizen of Polk County and State of Georgia and that he is personally acquainted with Mrs. Mary C. Ellis

Who is an applicant for citizenship in the Nation, I. T., and affiant further states that the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis is the identical person she represents him self to be in the application for citizenship in said Nation and that the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis is relation by descent to Pocahontas

Affiant further states that he has known the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis for the past 30 years and knows that she is and has been recognized and treated by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having

Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis indicate that the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis is of Indian blood. That from the above facts and circumstances and from statements made to us by the said Mrs. Mary C. Ellis Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Mrs. Ellis is of Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest in the prosecution of the claim of the said Mrs. Ellis to citizenship in the Nation, I. T.

J. Estes

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D., 1894 and I certify that I am well acquainted with the said J. Estes and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.

My Commission Expires on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1894  
Joseph P. Byers, Attorney at Law.

J. M. Cain, Artist Printer.

N<sup>o</sup> 3928  
Mrs. Mary Ellis

vs.  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 9 1890. ★  
A. S. MCKENNON  
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*P. H. H. H.*



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

To the Honorable Dawes Commission:—

Gentlemen: The undersigned, your petitioner, this day makes this her application for enrollment as a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians, in accordance with an act of Congress approved June 10th, 1898, and respectfully make the following statement of grounds of this her application to-wit:

That she Mary Wright is the Grand daughter of one whom the undersigned fully believes was an Indian belonging to said Tribe

The undersigned hereby presents the above facts as the lawful grounds for this her application for Cherokee citizenship by blood, and respectfully awaits the time when her application shall be truly heard and tried.

Age 29 Post Office family, with their relationship attached as follows:

No.	NAME.	SEX.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
	Mary G. Ellis			Related to
	John			Pacahanta
	Paul			
	John			Do not know
	Ann			The last relation-
	Wm			ship but believe
	Wm			said Mary Wright
	Paul			was one of the
				Indian
				Mary G. Ellis

Respectfully Submitted,

Signed Mary G. Ellis

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of March

1898.

J. W. Hughes

Attorney

Justice Peace

Nation's No. 2555  
Commission's No .....  
In re Application of

Mrs Mary E. Ellis  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED JAN 18 1901  
U. S. DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERD DISTRICT

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mrs. Mary E. Ellis et al*

Nation's No. *2555*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Deborah* through whom the petitioner claim to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Livingston Hutchings & Partners* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**



Indian Territory  
Cherokee Nation

I Wm Blackford solemnly swear  
That on the 8th day of Sept. 1880  
I delivered to Sam. W. Mayes  
Principal Chief Cherokee  
Nation at Tahlequah I. Ter  
a true copy of the application  
Affidavits and other documents  
hereto attached in case of  
John Ross V. Cherokee Nation  
subscribed and sworn to before  
me the 8th day of Sept. 1880

Jess Watts  
Notary Public



To the Hon Daves Commission  
Gentlemen:

In the thing of John Ross  
at sh. for of citizenship to citizen-  
ship from the Cherokee Nation  
we submit that John Ross  
is a son of Perry Ross  
and a grand son of John  
Ross Sr. whose name appears  
on the Cherokee Rolls.

Said John Ross  
was a very highly Cherokee  
Indian, and was the father  
of Perry Ross, who was  
the father of the petitioner  
John Ross which is shown  
by the affidavit of William  
Couch, herewith submitted.

Therefore we ask that  
said John Ross, be admitted  
to the rights, privileges  
and immunities of Cherokee  
Citizenship.

Jesse H. Keith  
Atty for Petitioner

To the Howards Commission  
On Citizenship in  
the five Civilized Tribes in the Indian  
Territory.

The undersigned your petitioner  
John Ross for and on behalf of self &  
family and heirs this day moves this  
their application to you for the purpose  
of being placed on the revised roll  
of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled  
to share in the distribution of funds  
and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation  
by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and  
I herewith submit the following testimony  
to wit: My age is 38 years. I am  
a grand son of John Ross Sr. who  
is a Cherokee by blood, whose name  
appears on the Cherokee roll. My Grand  
Father John Ross Sr. emigrated from  
North Carolina to the Cherokee Nation  
my Father's name was Perry Ross &  
son of John Ross Sr. I married  
in the year 1880 to Miss Mary T.  
Rutledge. Result of that marriage  
being one child name as follows.  
Minister. Ross age 15 years

John Ross,  
ally for Petitioner



State of Arkansas County of Bradford  
On this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
Aug 1896. Nathaniel Leach personally  
appeared before me a Notary Public  
within and for the County and State  
aforesaid.

After being duly sworn  
according to law before & saying  
my age is 63 years and I am a  
resident of Bradford Co Arko.  
I am personally acquainted with  
the Ross family and I know that  
John Ross is the son of Perry &  
Johanna Ross.

Nathaniel Leach

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1896  
State of Ark } J. B. Ward Notary  
County of Bradford } commission expires Feb 20/97



Applicant of  
Nathaniel Cunnick

1896  
Petition of  
John Ross

vs  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 9 1896 ★

A. S. MCKENNON

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To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes and others Composing the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes:

YOUR Petitioner

*John Ross*

would state and show from the proof submitted to the Commission that he is a Cherokee by decent and

his blood having been born in *Bradford* County, State of *Ark*

on *16* day of *March* 18*58*. My fathers name was *Perry Ross*

and My mothers name was *Johannah Ross*

That I now reside in *Bradford Co Ark*

and have resided there for *38* years. And he avers these facts can be established by

proof to the satisfaction of the Commission under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. And

he further avers that these facts being proved he is entitled to be adjudged under the laws of

such Nation and the laws of the Congress of the United States and the treaties of such Nation with the

United States, a citizen of such Nation, with all the rights, privileges and protection of Citizenship in

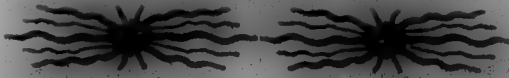
such Nation. Wherefore he herewith respectfully submit to the consideration of the

Honorable Commission such proof and on the hearing he be adjudged entitled to such citizenship

and ~~h. s.~~ name be placed upon the proper roll as a citizen of such Nation.

Signature

*John Ross,*



STATE OF *Ark*

County of *Bradford*

SS

NOW on this *12* day of *Aug* 1896

personally appeared before me *J. L. Ward*

a Notary Public for said county and state

*John Ross* who being

duly sworn upon his oath states that the facts set forth in the foregoing

petition are correct and true. Subscribed and sworn to before

me this *12* day of *Aug* 1896.

*J. L. Ward*

Notary Public.

*commission expires Feb 25/97*



Nation's No. 2566-

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

John P. East  
et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. ☆

A. S. McKENNON

Nation's No. 2566-

Commission's No .....

In re Application of

John East  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. ☆

A. S. McKENNON

CORRECTOR

Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John P. Asat al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2566*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2d. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*John P. Asat* through whom the petitioner *claims to derive* *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
residing, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harding, Hildridge & Bunkin* Attorneys.

John L. Albair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Bell*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**



Nation's No. 8532

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

*John D. Campbell*  
*et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

COM'R



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*John R. Campbell et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2532*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*Creasy Campbell*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation.

By *Andrew H. Hixson* Attorney.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Indian Territory  
Cherokee Nation  
I J. M. Blackard do solemnly swear  
that on the 8th Day of Sept 1890  
I delivered to Sam H. Mayer  
Principal Chief of the Cherokee  
Nation at Tahlequah I.T.  
a true copy Application  
Affidavits and other Documents  
hereto attached in case  
of John P. Campbell U.S. Cherokee Nation  
Subscriber and sworn to before  
me the 8th

10th Day of Sept 1890  
J. M. Blackard  
Notary Public

To The Hon. Daves Commission  
Gentlemen

In regard to the  
application of John R. Campbell  
for enrollment and citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation we most  
respectfully submit:

John R. Campbell is a  
son of one Sucrey Campbell  
and Sucrey Campbell is a  
daughter of John Green who  
was a recognized member  
of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.  
That John Green was an  
Indian is shown by the  
affidavits of John W. Stansell and  
Joseph Miller.

That Sucrey Campbell  
was a daughter of said John Green  
and was also recognized as an  
Indian, is shown by the  
affidavits of William Bantz  
and Joseph Miller and the sworn  
statements of applicant John R. Camp  
bell. That John R. Campbell  
is a son of Sucrey Campbell  
and a grand son of John Green  
is shown by all the above men-  
tioned affidavits.

Bird Campbell and Catherine  
Ligh are also children of Sucrey  
Campbell and brother and sister



1 to John P. Campbell.

2 Wherefore we respectfully  
3 ask that said persons  
4 John P. and Bird Campbell  
5 and Catherine Light and their  
6 children be evicted.

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8 J. W. Watts  
9 Atty for applicant

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

COUNTY OF Alabama

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, Henry Gibson Hunt  
 personally appeared William Banks who after being by me  
 duly sworn states that he is 63 years of age, and is a citizen of Walker  
 County and State of Alabama, and that he was personally acquainted with  
Creasey Campbell whose children are applicants

who is an applicant for citizenship in the Sherokee Nation, I. T., and affiant further states  
 that the said heirs are the identical persons they represent  
them to be in said application for citizenship in said Nation and that said  
Creasey Campbell is deceased whose children aforesaid  
 are applicants for citizenship in said nation  
 is dead, that the said children are now  
 living in Walker & Winston Counties Alabama

Affiant further states that he had known the said Creasey Campbell  
 for 30 years and knows that she was recognized and treated by her  
 neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as a person having 1/4 Indian blood  
 and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Creasey Campbell  
 indicated that the said Creasey Campbell was Indian blood. That from the above facts and  
 circumstances and from statements made to me by the said Creasey Campbell  
 Affiant states he has every reason to believe and does believe that the said Creasey Campbell  
 was 1/4 Indian blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatever in the prosecution of the claim  
 of the said heirs to citizenship in the Sherokee Nation, I. T.  
attest: C. W. Stovall William Banks  
H. P. Stovall John Banks

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of January A. D. 1905  
 and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the said William Banks  
 and know him to be a person of credibility and of truth and veracity.

My Commission Expires on the 10 day of February 1905  
L. C. Kelley Clerk of the Court  
 JOSEPH P. BYERS, Attorney at Law. J. M. CAIN, Printer, Ft. Smith, Ark.



1 The State of Alabama, } Before me A.D. Hays,  
2 Cullman County. } a Judge of Probate Court,  
3 in and for said County  
4 and State, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1895,  
5 personally appeared before me, John W. Stansell,  
6 who is a reliable and creditable citizen of  
7 Cullman County, State of Alabama, and after  
8 being duly sworn according to law, deposeth  
9 and says: That he is a resident of the County  
10 of Cullman, State of Alabama, that his age  
11 is 69 years; occupation that of farming, that  
12 his Post office is Cullman Ala., that he  
13 was personally and well acquainted with  
14 John Green, for several years previous to his  
15 death; that the said John Green, was recognized  
16 by his neighbors and acquaintances generally  
17 as a person having Cherokee blood; that he  
18 was spoken of as "Indian Green"; that his  
19 complexion and physical appearance indicated  
20 and showed him to be of Indian blood, and  
21 that, from his own personal knowledge  
22 of, and acquaintance with, the Cherokee people,  
23 he fully believes the said John Green,  
24 was mixed with Indian blood.  
25 Attest: A.D. Hays

26 John W. <sup>his</sup> Stansell  
27 Subscribed and sworn to before me  
28 on this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1895.

29 A.D. Hays  
30 Judge of Probate Court.  
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# AFFIDAVIT.

State of Alabama  
Cullman County }

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1895

Personally appeared before me, Joseph Miller who is a reliable and creditable citizen of the county of Cullman State of Alabama and

after being duly sworn according to law, depose and says: That he is a resident of the County of Cullman State of Alabama; that his age is 32 years; occupation that of Farming

that Postoffice is Grimes Hill; that he is personally and well acquainted with John R. Miller who is a Son of Lucy Campbell and Grand Son

of John R. Miller, and that the said Lucy Campbell was locked upon by her neighbors and acquaintances and from being murdered Head.

Affiant makes this his sworn statement from his own personal knowledge and acquaintance with the family. Attest H. R. Myers.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Joseph Miller notary public of the State of Alabama

this 3 day of Oct 1895  
J. G. Linnel

# AFFIDAVIT.

State of Alabama  
Shullman County }

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1895

Personally appeared before me, Joseph Miller who is a reliable and  
 creditable citizen of the county of Shullman State of Alabama and

after being duly sworn according to law, depose and says: That he is a resident of the County of Shullman  
 State of Alabama; that his age is 82 years; occupation that of Farming

that Postoffice is Grave Hill; that he is personally and well acquainted with Alexander Campbell  
 who is a Son of Alexander Campbell and Grand Son

of John Green and that the said Alexander Campbell was looked upon  
by his neighbors and acquaintances as a person having Cherokee Indian  
blood.

Affiant makes this his sworn statement from his own personal knowledge and acquaintance with the  
 family. Attest H. R. Myers.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Joseph H. Miller  
Justice of the Peace

this 3 day of Oct 1895

J. H. Daniel

No.

PETITION OF

*R. R. Campbell*  
for and on behalf of

*himself*  
and heirs

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*James W. Webb*

Attorney for Petitioner

FORBES & PETERSON CO., PORT SMITH, N.Y.



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, *United States Commissioners*  
*authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in*  
*the Cherokee Nation :*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, R. B. Campbell  
for and on behalf of himself  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the affidavits of Wm. Banks  
Joseph Miller & John H. Starnell which  
is herewith filed

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.

Witnesses:  
R. J. Miller  
J. W. Austin

Respectfully submitted

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

Bird B<sup>his</sup> X Campbell  
mark

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
B. B. Campbell	47	son of Henry Campbell
Nancy C. Campbell	39	who was of the same
Benjamin T. Campbell	13	Indian.
Jerre C. Campbell	12	
Adam D. Campbell	9	
Abraham L. Campbell	8	
Rachel Campbell	6	
Seaborn Campbell	3	
Shade C. Campbell	3/47	

Sworn to before me and  
In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this...

Bird B. X Campbell  
in use

3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1896

*A.C. Karp*  
Judge of Probate Court  
*Wm. B. Cullen Co.*  
Adm.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

PETITION OF

for and on behalf of

and heirs

Attorney for Petitioner

THOMSON-LOAN COMPANY INC., NEW YORK, N.Y.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, *Catherine Light*  
for and on behalf of *herself*  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the *affidavit of Tom Donnell*  
*Joseph Miller John H. Starnes which*  
*is herewith filed*

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when *my* application shall be heard and tried.

Attest  
*A. A. Speagle*  
*Notary Public*

Respectfully submitted

*her*  
*Catherine Light*  
*mark*

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
<i>Catherine Light</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>Catherine Light is</i>
<i>Cynthia J.</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>a grand daughter of</i>
<i>George A.</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>John Green a half</i>
		<i>Cherokee Ind.</i>
		<i>being the daughter</i>
		<i>of Burety Campbell</i>
		<i>who was John Green</i>
		<i>daughter.</i>
		<i>Cynthia J. &amp; George</i>
		<i>A. Light are daughters</i>
		<i>of Catherine Light who</i>
		<i>was a grand daughter</i>
		<i>of John Green</i>

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this *17* day of *Aug* 1896.

*A. A. Speagle*  
*Notary Public*

*She was born in Kentucky & was*  
*married to John Green who was*  
*Cherokee Indian.*



No. **3731**  
PETITION OF  
**John R. Campbell**  
for and on behalf of  
**himself**  
and heirs

FILED SEP 9 1896  
A. S. LEBRON  
CLERK

**John R. Campbell**  
Attorney for Petitioner

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, United States Commissioners  
authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation:

The undersigned, your petitioner, *John R. Campbell*  
for and on behalf of *himself and heirs*  
and heirs; this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the residual roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the *Affidavit of the following*  
*persons, William Banks,*  
*Joseph Miller and John H. Stewie*

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when *my* application shall be heard and tried.

Attest  
*John R. Campbell*  
Respectfully submitted  
*John R. Campbell*  
Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
<i>John R. Campbell</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>Claimant is a son of</i>
<i>Richard Campbell</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>Severey Campbell and</i>
<i>Stewart</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>grandson of Mr</i>
<i>Leah</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>Green. The said</i>
<i>John W. Campbell</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>Severey Campbell being</i>
<i>Genevieve S</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>a Cherokee Indian</i>
<i>Bird S</i>	<i>28</i>	
<i>Louisa</i>	<i>25</i>	
<i>Susannah</i>	<i>21</i>	
<i>Alexander</i>	<i>18</i>	
<i>Henry J</i>	<i>16</i>	

In witness of which I herunto set my hand on this *3rd* day of *July* 1896.  
*A. A. Springle*  
notary public

**End**





Indian Territory

Cherokee Nation

I Wm Blackard

do solemnly

swear that on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
Sept 1896 I delivered to Saml H. May  
principal chief of the Cherokee Nation  
at Tahlequah a true copy of  
the applications of ~~offenses~~ and other  
documents herewith attached in case  
of Elias Collins U.S. Cherokee Nation

Wm Blackard

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 8 day of Sept 1896.

Jess Watts  
Notary Public

7 The New Jersey Commission  
Brotherhood:

In the case of John Collins  
et al. for citizenship in the Church  
there we submit the affidavits  
of William Williams, showing that the  
claimants in this case were John Collins,  
Mary Collins, John Collins, and their  
children are the sons and daughters of  
James Collins, and that the said  
James Collins is a son of Hyatt  
Collins, as is shown in the same  
above mentioned affidavits.

We also herewith submit the  
affidavits of William Collins, and William  
Collins showing that the above  
named claimants are the sons  
and daughters of James Collins,  
and grand sons and daughters  
of Hyatt Collins, whereas as is  
shown by said affidavits  
a Cherokee Indian. Therefore  
we ask that the names of  
the above claimants be  
be admitted to the entire  
benefit of Cherokee Citizenship.

John W. White.  
Atty for Collins



# Affidavit

Be it remembered that on this day  
15 day of August 1896. Personally  
appear before me William William  
who is a reliable citizen of the coun-  
ty of Clay State of Ky. and after  
being duly sworn ~~by~~ according to  
law states and says: That he is a  
resident of the County of Clay  
State of Ky. that he is 67 years  
of age Occupation that of a farmer that  
Postoffice is Goose Rock Clay  
County Ky. that he is personally  
acquainted with Jason Collings  
Morgan Collings, Silas Collings  
Alice Cotton, who are the children  
of James Collings and Martha  
Collings said James Collings  
a son of Wyatt Collings who  
was a Cherokee Indian by blood  
and was so recognized as such  
I was acquainted with Wyatt  
Collings from the year of 1828 to  
the year of 1876. at which time  
he died. that I know that he  
was always recognized as a  
Cherokee Indian.

Attest

Dr. Walker

William William  
mark

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 15th day of August  
1896 by William William  
J. J. White Clerk of Court  
Ky. Dr. Walker Deputee

# Affidavit.

Be it remembered that on this day  
15 day of August 1896 personally ap-  
pear before me William Collings  
who is a reliable citizen of the Coun-  
ty of Clay State of Ky. and after  
being duly sworn according to  
law states and says: That he is  
a resident of the County of Clay  
State of Ky. that he is 71 years  
of age occupation that of a farmer  
that his postoffice is Manchester,  
Clay Co. Ky. That he is personally  
acquainted with Jason Collings,  
Morgan Collings, Silas Collings and  
Alice Cottar, who are children of  
James and Martha Collings and that  
said James Collings is a son of M-  
att Collings who was a Cherokee In-  
dian by blood and was so recognized  
as such. I was acquainted with  
Matt Collings from the year of 1838  
to year of 1872 at which time I left him  
resident. That I know <sup>he</sup> was recognized  
as a Cherokee Indian.

Attest

J. L. Walker

William X Collings  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me by William  
Collings Aug 15 1896

J. L. Walker Clerk Clay Co. Ky.



# Affidavit

Be it remembered that on this day  
 15 day of August 1896 Personally  
 appear before me Melly Cotton who  
 is a reliable citizen of the County of  
 Clay State of Ky and after being  
 duly sworn according to law states and  
 says that she is resident of the  
 County of Clay State of Ky that being  
 64 years of age occupation that of a farmer  
 that partaker Manchester Clay Co Ky  
 that she is well personally and well  
 acquainted with James Collins Morgan  
 Collins Silas Collins and also Cotton  
 who are children of James Collins and  
 Martha Collins and that said James  
 Collins is a son of Wyatt Collins  
 who was a Cherokee Indian By Blood  
 and was so recognized as such & was  
 acquainted with Wyatt Collins from the  
 year of 1890 to year of 1898 at which  
 time I left his State & know he was  
 recognized as a Cherokee Indian

*Melly Cotton*  
 Subscribed to and acknowledged by Melly  
 Cotton before me the 15th day Aug. 96

*Melly Cotton*  
 Mark

Subscribed to and acknowledged by Melly  
 Cotton before me the 15th day Aug. 96  
 J. H. White Notary  
 By J. H. White Notary



No. ....

**Application of**

Et Al.,

**FOR**

Enrollment in ..... Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

# Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

*William Reed* AL.  
PETITIONER,

VS  
*Cherokee* Nation, Indian Territory.  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner *William Reed* states that *she is a daughter of Spring Branch and was a daughter of James Collins, a white man & sister of James Collins* Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in *the old Cherokee Nation* and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood in the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said *Weyatt Collins* appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said *Cherokee* Indians for the year *1898*.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said *Weyatt Collins* to-wit: *A daughter of Spring Branch, now Collins, who was a daughter of James Collins & grand daughter of Weyatt Collins*

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said *Cherokee* Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner *2* persons, as follows, to-wit:

<i>William Ann Reed</i>	, and	<i>24</i>	years of age
<i>Wm</i>	, and	<i>50</i>	years of age
<i>Wingie</i>	, and	<i>4</i>	years of age
<i>Julia B</i>	, and	<i>1 1/2</i>	years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age
"	, and		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *him* name, with those of

Am. Child

and descendants, to-wit:

and be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other Christians Indians, in and to the Christian Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner Willie A. Reed says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.  
By Sila Collins Willie Reed  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of Sept 1894

James M. Math  
Notary Public



No. ....

**Application of**

..... Et Al.,

—FOR—

Enrollment in ..... Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

• Attorney for Petitioner.

DAKOTA STATE PRINT.

# Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

*Allie Collins* Et Al.,  
PETITIONER,

VS.

*Cherokee*  
Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner *Allie Collins* states that *she is a daughter*  
of *James Collins* who was a son of *Weyatt Collins* who  
was a *Cherokee* Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in  
*the old Cherokee Nation* and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits  
and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood in the said *Cherokee*  
Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said *Weyatt Collins* appears,  
or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said *Cherokee* Indians for the year *1835*.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said *Weyatt Collins* to-wit:

*Being a son of James Collins*  
*who was a son of Weyatt Collins*  
*a Cherokee by blood and is shown by*  
*proof heretofore filed*

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs  
of the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and  
treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of  
said *Cherokee* Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights,  
benefits, privileges and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner *4* persons, as follows, to-wit:

<i>Allie Collins</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>39</i>	years of age
<i>John</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>40</i>	years of age
<i>John W</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>14</i>	years of age
<i>Allie</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>13</i>	years of age
<i>Anna</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>11</i>	years of age
<i>Allie</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>8</i>	years of age
	<i>and</i>		years of age
	<i>and</i>		years of age
	<i>and</i>		years of age
	<i>and</i>		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *her* name, with those of

his children

said descendants, to-wit:

and..... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other..... Indians, in and to the..... Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner Allen Anthony John Cotton says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this..... day of..... 189.....

Allen Anthony John Cotton Petitioner.

John Cotton

Notary Public



No. ....

**Application of**

..... Et Al.,

— FOR —

Enrollment in ..... Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

REPRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENT

# Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

*Morgan Collins* Et Al.,  
PETITIONER,

VS.

*Cherokee*  
Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner *Morgan Collins* states that *he is a son of James Collins who was a son of Wyatt Collins* was a *Cherokee* Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in *the old Cherokee Nation* and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood in the said *old* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said *Wyatt Collins* appears, or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said *Cherokee* Indians for the year *1834*.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said *Wyatt Collins* to-wit:

*Being a son of James Collins who was a son of Wyatt Collins a Cherokee by blood as it shows by proof herewith filed*

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and

treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said *Cherokee* Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner *6* persons, as follows, to-wit:

<i>Morgan Collins</i>		, and	<i>40</i>	years of age
<i>Joseph</i>	"	, and	<i>28</i>	years of age
<i>Elbert</i>	"	, and	<i>11</i>	years of age
<i>Willie</i>	"	, and	<i>7</i>	years of age
<i>Bill</i>	"	, and	<i>4</i>	years of age
<i>Lothar</i>	"	, and	<i>3</i>	years of age
<i>John</i>	"	, and	<i>1</i>	years of age
	, a	, and		years of age
	, a	, and	✓	years of age
	, a	, and		years of age
	, a	, and		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *his* name, with those of

his children ~~and descendants, to wit:~~  
.....  
.....  
..... be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits, privileges  
and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner Morgan Collins says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.  
Morgan Collins  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of Sept 1896  
James Watts  
Notary Public



No. ....

**Application of**

..... Et Al.,

**FOR**

Enrollment in ..... Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

CHARGE OF THE COURT.

## Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

*Jason Collins* Et Al.,  
PETITIONER,

VS.

*Cherokee* Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner *Jason Collins* states that *he is the son of*  
was a *Cherokee* Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in  
*the old Cherokee Nation* and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits  
and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood in the said *old*

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said *Wm. A. Collins* appears,

or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said *Cherokee* Indians for the year *1836*

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said *Wm. A. Collins* to-wit:

*Being a son of Jason Collins  
& grand son of Wm A Collins  
a Cherokee by blood as is  
shown by my herewith  
filed*

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs  
of the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and  
treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of  
said *Cherokee* Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights,  
benefits, privileges and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner *3* persons, as follows, to-wit:

<i>Jason Collins</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>48</i>	years of age
<i>Lodina</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>30</i>	years of age
<i>Don</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>18</i>	years of age
<i>Maggie</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>14</i>	years of age
<i>Silbert</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>13</i>	years of age
<i>William</i>	"	<i>and</i>	<i>7</i>	years of age
	"	<i>and</i>		years of age
	"	<i>and</i>		years of age
	"	<i>and</i>		years of age
	"	<i>and</i>		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *his* name, with those of

his children said descendants, to-wit:

.....be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges  
and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation  
or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

By Silas Collins Jason Collins  
Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner Jason Collins says that the state-  
ments set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

By Silas Collins Jason Collins  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of Sept 1894.

James H. Smith  
Notary Public



No.....

**Application of**

..... Et Al.,

**FOR**

Enrollment in..... Nation.

Filed on the..... day of..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

REMARKS OVER PRINT.

Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

*Silas Collins* Et Al.  
PETITIONER,

VS.

*Cherokee*  
Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner *Silas Collins* states that *he is a son of James Collins who was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said old Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Wyatt Collins appears on the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1830.*

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said *Wyatt Collins* to-wit:

*a son of James Collins who was a son of Wyatt Collins a Cherokee by blood as is shown by proof herewith filed.*

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said *Cherokee* Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said *Cherokee* Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other *Cherokee* Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner *2* persons, as follows, to-wit:

<i>Silas Collins</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>34</i>	years of age
<i>Lizzie</i>	<i>" wife</i>	<i>18</i>	years of age
<i>Ella B</i>	<i>" daughter</i>	<i>3</i>	years of age
<i>Tollie A</i>	<i>" son</i>	<i>2</i>	years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age
<i>"</i>	<i>and</i>		years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that *his* name, with those of

his children said descendants, to-wit:

and be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys For Petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner Arthur Collins says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

Silas Collins Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of Sept 1896  
Jess Watts  
Notary Public



No. 3976

Application of

Silas Collins Et Al,

FOR

Enrollment in Cherokee Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

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# Application For Enrollment

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS

Ball, Robert W. PETITIONER

**VS.**

VS.  
*Charles M. ...* Nation, Indian Territory.  
 RESPONDENT.

## APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION

Your petitioner W. R. R. R. states that W. R. R. R.  
was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in  
the old Cherokee Nation and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits  
and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said  
Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said W. R. R. R. appears,  
or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1870  
That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said W. R. R. R.

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Wm. Collings  
 Being a daughter of Henry Root  
 who was a daughter of James Collins  
 & who was a daughter of Wm. Collings  
 Collins a character by blood  
 is shown by John Collins  
 filed

of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner ..... persons, as follows, to-wit:

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ persons, as follows, to-wit:

*Bill Board*

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100		years of age

Wherefore, the premises come to \_\_\_\_\_

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that \_\_\_\_\_

and descendants, to wit:  
and be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys for Petitioners.

The aforesaid petitioner Willie R. Rusk says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

By Silas Colling Willie Rusk  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of Sept 1902

James M. Rusk  
Notary Public



Nation's No. 2865

Commission's No .....

In re Application of

*Seas Collins*  
*Et al*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Delas Collins*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2565*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*W. G. Collins*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Asenip, Hutchins & Bonnell* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





Indian Territory  
Cherokee Nation }  
I, W. M. Blackard, do solemnly  
swear that on the 8 day of Sept  
1896 I delivered to Saml H. Mays  
Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation  
at Tahlequah, Ark. a true copy of  
the applications, affidavits and other  
documents of hereto attached in case  
of M. B. Chumpe  
Cherokee Nation. V. S.

W. M. Blackard  
Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 8 day of Sept 1896  
Jesse Hatto  
Notary Public

To the Hon. James Commission  
Gentlemen:

In the claim of  
William B. Camp for  
enrollment and citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation we  
respectfully submit that said  
William B. Camp is a son  
of Murray Camp and a  
grand son of one Robert  
Camp. That Robert Camp  
was a Cherokee Indian is shown  
by the affidavits of Geo. W. Vance,  
a Minister, and John Ross both  
of whom are residents and  
citizens of the Cherokee Nation.  
They state they were personally  
acquainted with Robert Camp  
and know that he was at least  
one fourth Cherokee Indian.  
That applicant William B. Camp  
is a grand son of said Robert  
Camp is shown by the  
affidavits of John H. Parr, James  
B. Turner and Murray Camp.  
The said applicant William  
B. Camp now resides at  
Wynnewood N.C. He came to the  
Nation in good faith and  
believing he was entitled to ad-  
mission to citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation and makes



these applications to your honorable  
body for such admittance  
Wherefor we most respectfully  
ask that he be received together  
with his children

Jesse W. Watts  
Atty for applicant

Richard L.  
his son  
in the Court of the  
Right Honourable  
Justices in the  
H. N. S. 7  
State of Virginia





Applicant *John Ross*  
in the Court of *the*  
his Honor *James*  
for citizenship in  
the U. S. S. S.

*John Ross*

Cherokee Nation  
Indian Territory

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Be it Remembered that on this the  
12 day of Sept 1892 Personally appeared before  
me John Ross who is a Reliable and Credible  
Citizen of Flint District Cherokee nation  
I. T. and after being by me duly sworn—  
according to Law Says that he is a Resident  
of Flint District Cherokee nation I. T. and  
that his age is 70 years and his occupation that  
of a Farmer that he was well and personally  
acquainted with Robt Crump in the  
Old Cherokee nation East of the Mississippi River  
now in State of Georgia and that the afore said  
Robt Crump was a Cherokee Indian by Blood  
a half one half Cherokee by Blood - affiant  
makes this his sworn statement from his  
own personal knowledge and acquaintance  
with said Robt Crump family of Georgia  
affiant further states that he is not directly or  
Indirectly Interested in the promotion of the  
claims of Robt Crump for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee nation I. T. - John Ross

Sworn and Subscribed before  
me on this the 12 day of Sept 1892

B. G. Fletcher  
Clerk Flint Dist.  
C. N.

The State of Alabama Personally appeared before  
DeKalb county } Me John H. Parr  
a Resident of Keener in the State of Alabama  
& Etowah county who being by <sup>me</sup> duly sworn & depose  
& sayeth that he is of the age of 66 years & who says  
that he first became acquainted with Robert  
Crump in the County of Franklin in the State  
of Georgia & his wife Agnes Crump whose maiden  
name was Agnes Limer in year 1834 & that  
I have known them continuously up to their  
death & that I am personally acquainted  
with their son Memory W. Crump have  
seen him for 62 years past & that he is the  
father of William B. Crump who now resides  
in Wythe Wood Indian Territory & have known  
him since the year 1869 }  
Sworn to & Subscribed } John H. Parr

before me this the 18 day of May 1896

L. Gravitt  
Notary public



The State of Alabama Personally appeared before  
DeKalb county } James P. Keener a  
Resident of Keener in County of Etowah &  
State of Ala Who first being by duly sworn  
deposed & saith that he is of the age of 51 years  
& that he became acquainted with Memory W. Crump  
in the year 1869 & that he has resided continuously  
as a Neighbour to him ever since & that he  
is personally acquainted with his son  
William B. Crump who now resides at  
Wynne Wood Indian Territory } James P. Keener  
Sworn to & Subscribed  
before me this 18 day of  
April 1896

L. Gravitt  
Notary Public  
in & for the county of DeKalb & State of Ala

The State of Alabama } Personally appeared before  
DeKalb county } Me on this the 18 day  
of April 1896 Memory W. Crump whose age being  
by me duly sworn & deposited & saith that  
he is of the age of 85 years & Resident of Keener  
in the State of Alabama in the county of  
Etowah & am the Father of William B. Crump  
who now resides in Wynnewood Indiana  
Terre Haute & who was born in the State of Alabama  
which was then DeKalb county but since has  
been changed to Etowah co in the year 1869 and  
the 6 day May & my Father's name was Robert  
Crump who is the Grand Father of William  
B. Crump & the wife of Robert Crump whose maiden  
name was Agnes Limer who is my Mother  
Subscribed & sworn to } Memory W. Crump  
before me on this the 18 day }  
of May 1896 Attest }  
L. Gravitt William M. Taber  
Notary Public James P. Keener

To the Honorable Henry L. Dawes and others Composing the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes:

YOUR Petitioner W. B. Crump

would state and show from the proof submitted to the Commission that he is a Cherokee by descent and by blood having been born in Itawamba County, State of Ala.

on 17th day of May 1880. My fathers name was Henry

W. Crump My mothers name was Elizabeth

That I now reside in Wynnewood, Ark. Ter.

and have resided there for 3 years. And he avers these facts can be established by proof to the satisfaction of the Commission under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. And

he further avers that these facts being proved he is entitled to be adjudged under the laws of such Nation and the laws of the Congress of the United States and the treaties of such Nation with the

United States, a citizen of such Nation, with all the rights, privileges and protection of Citizenship in such Nation. Wherefore he herewith respectfully submit to the consideration of the

Honorable Commission such proof and on the hearing he be adjudged entitled to such citizenship and his name be placed upon the proper roll as a citizen of such Nation.

Signature William B. Crump



Indian Territory  
Southern District SS

NOW on this 11th day of July 1896  
personally appeared before me, W. B. Crump  
Notary Public for said Territory.....

W. B. Crump who being  
duly sworn upon his oath states that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are correct and true. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of July 1896.

W. B. Crump  
Notary Public.

Southern District



No. 3943.

PETITION OF

*H. R. Linn*  
for and on behalf of

*Linn*  
and heirs

Filed Sept. 9. 1896

H. S. McKennon

Clerk

*Repeted*

9/28, -96

*James M. McKennon*

Attorney for Petitioner

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON  
THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, *United States Commissioners*  
*authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in*  
*the Cherokee Nation;*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, H. B. Cump  
for and on behalf of himself  
and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of  
their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the affidavit of Geo. W. Cump  
John Ross John A. Pugh & Jam. P. Cump

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Respectfully submitted

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
H. B. Crump	36	Son of Manning Crump
Lucy Crump	32	& grand son of
Earl Crump	8	Robert & Mary Crump
Bessie Crump	5	The said Robert Crump
Wilkerson Crump	1	being a child of said
		as is shown by
		proof herewith filed

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this

2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1896.

on this 1st day of July 1896.  
Cyrus H. Kane  
 Notary Public

Nation's No. 2540

Commission's No

In re Application of

W. B. Crump  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT 28 1896 ☆

A. S. McKEE

COM'R



Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*H. B. Crummett et al*

Nation's No. *2540*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Robert Crummett* through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Adair, Adair & Co.* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *23* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION  
TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF

~~Wallace Luck et als.~~

FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE CHEROKEE NATION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
INDIAN TERRITORY  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

I, J.S. McCray of lawful age being duly  
sworn say that the attached registry receipt is a receipt  
for a true and complete copy of the application and papers  
accompanying the same, in the above entitled case and that  
I am not interested in any way in the prosecution of said  
claim.

*James S. McCray*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Sept.  
1896.

*Myra G. Young*  
Notary Public.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.	
Test Office at	VENTA
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of <u>Denison &amp; Henderson</u>	
addressed to <u>J. Mays</u>	
	<u>Tabbiquah, Ind.</u>
	<u>Dr. F. J. Young, D. M.</u>



BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION  
TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF  
WALLACE LUSK FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE CHEROKEE NATION.

A P P L I C A T I O N .

& on that of his son Wallace Lusk Jr.  
The undersigned, Wallace Lusk, on his own behalf, says that he  
lives in Milan, Gibson County, Tenn. and most respectfully make  
known and represent unto this Hon. Commission, that he is of  
Cherokee Indian blood, said Cherokee Indian blood being derived  
from his father Jiles Bryant, who was the son of Rial Bryant  
and he (Rial Bryant) being the son of Jno. Bryant.  
The said Wallace Lusk was adopted by J.D. Lusk when small and  
being known from thence by his (J.D. Lusk's) name.  
The said Wallace Lusk says that he is a full brother to Jack  
Bryant who is an applicant, and most respectfully asks that his  
application may be considered with ~~them~~ and that any testimony  
offered in support of said applications produced before this  
Hon. Commission that is pertinent to the applicants herein named  
may be considered upon the hearing of this application.  
Said Lusk, Sr. Being aged 31 yrs. & Wallace Lusk 10 years old.  
Applicant asks that this his application may be heard and deter-  
mined, and that he may be admitted to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Indian Nation and enrolled as such citizen.

Wallace Lusk

In presence of

Gardell Stame  
S. F. Rabin

State of Tennessee ( )  
Gibson County. ( ) SS.  
( )

Before me, R. B. Edwards, a Notary Public, in  
and for said state and county duly commissioned and qualified  
and acting as such, personally appeared Wallace Lusk, to me  
known as the person signing the above and foregoing application  
and being by me first duly sworn, says that he knows the con-  
tents of the same, and that the statements therein contained  
are true as he verily believes.

Given under my hand and seal as Notary Public, this  
day of September, 1896. my commission expires  
in April 1899.

R. B. Edwards, Jr.  
Notary Public.  
Notary Public.

Attorney for applicant.

State of Tennessee ( )  
( ) SS.  
Gibson County. ( )

Before me, R.E. Edwards, a Notary Public  
in and for the said state and county duly commissioned and qual-  
ified and acting personally appeared Robert Beard, Col, with whom I  
am personally acquainted and who made oath as follows:

I am about 65 years old. I live in Milan, Gibson Co. Tenn. I was  
born and lived in this county all my life. I know Wallace Bryant, who is  
the adopted son of J.D. Lusk, and is known by the name of Wallace  
Lusk. He is a son of Giles Bryant. Giles Bryant is a son of Rial  
Bryant. Said Rial Bryant was the son of Jno. Bryant. I belonged  
to said Jno. Bryant during his life-time. He lived and died in  
Gibson County and I always understood that he was half-breed of  
Cherokee Indian. I know <sup>Tenn.</sup> his son, Rial Bryant. He lived and  
died in Gibson County also. Said Rial Bryant was a brother of W  
Mary called Polly below, Carolina White and others. Said Rial  
lives in Carroll County near the Gibson County line. Said Wallace  
Lusk has one child, a son about 10 years old who is living with  
him. I know all the named parties well, and lived either with  
or near them during the time they lived. I have known Wallace Lusk  
and his son Wallace Lusk Jr. all their lives.

Subscribed before  
me 4 Sept-1886. my Commission  
expires in April 1889

Robt. Beard  
witness.

R. E. Edwards  
Notary Public





State of Tennessee ( )  
Gibson County. ( )  
( )

Before me, R.E. Edwards, a Notary

Public, in and for said State and county, duly commissioned, I  
qualified and acting as personally appeared Stephen Mc. Pherson  
with whom I am well acquainted and who made oath as follows:  
I am about 70 years old, and live in the 15th civil district of  
Gibson County Tenn. and have all of my life. I know Wallace Bryant  
who is known as Wallace Lusk. He is the son of Giles Bryant. Then  
said Giles Bryant is a son of Rial Bryant, said Rial Bryant  
being a son of Jno. Bryant. I know said Wallace Lusk and his  
father Giles Bryant well, and I knew Rial Bryant and Jno. Bryant  
in their life-time. They both lived and died in Gibson Co. Tenn.  
Said Giles Bryant now lives in Carroll Co. Tenn. near the Gibson  
Co. line and said Wallace Lusk lives in the town of Milan Gibson Co  
Tenn. where he has lived the most of his life.

When he was a child he was with the consent of his parents, taken  
by J.D. Lusk who took care of and raised him and adopted him, he  
being given the name of "Wallace Lusk", by which name he is known.  
Said Wallace is the brother of Jack Bryant.

Said Giles Bryant is a brother of George, Jack, David and John Bryant  
and said Rial Bryant was the brother of Carolina White, Mary  
who is called Polly Belew, Thursa Springer and others, and the said  
said John Bryant was understood by all who knew him to be a  
half-blood Cherokee Indian. I knew them all well and lived in the  
same neighborhood within a few miles of all of them.

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me 14 Sept 1896.  
my commission expires the  
April 1898

Stephen X McPherson  
notary

R.E. Edwards  
Notary Public

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Nation's No. 4954

Commission's No.

In re Application of

William L. ...

Demurrer and Answer.

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H. M. JACOWAY

Commission's No.

Nation's No.

By the undersigned, Counselors

Before the Honorable Henry F. Davis, Chief Clerk of the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Columbia, and

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
Mallory Lusk

Nation's No. 4934

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

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entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
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through whom the petitioner claim to derive right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

See case Aaron Bell  
Notions No 2228

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

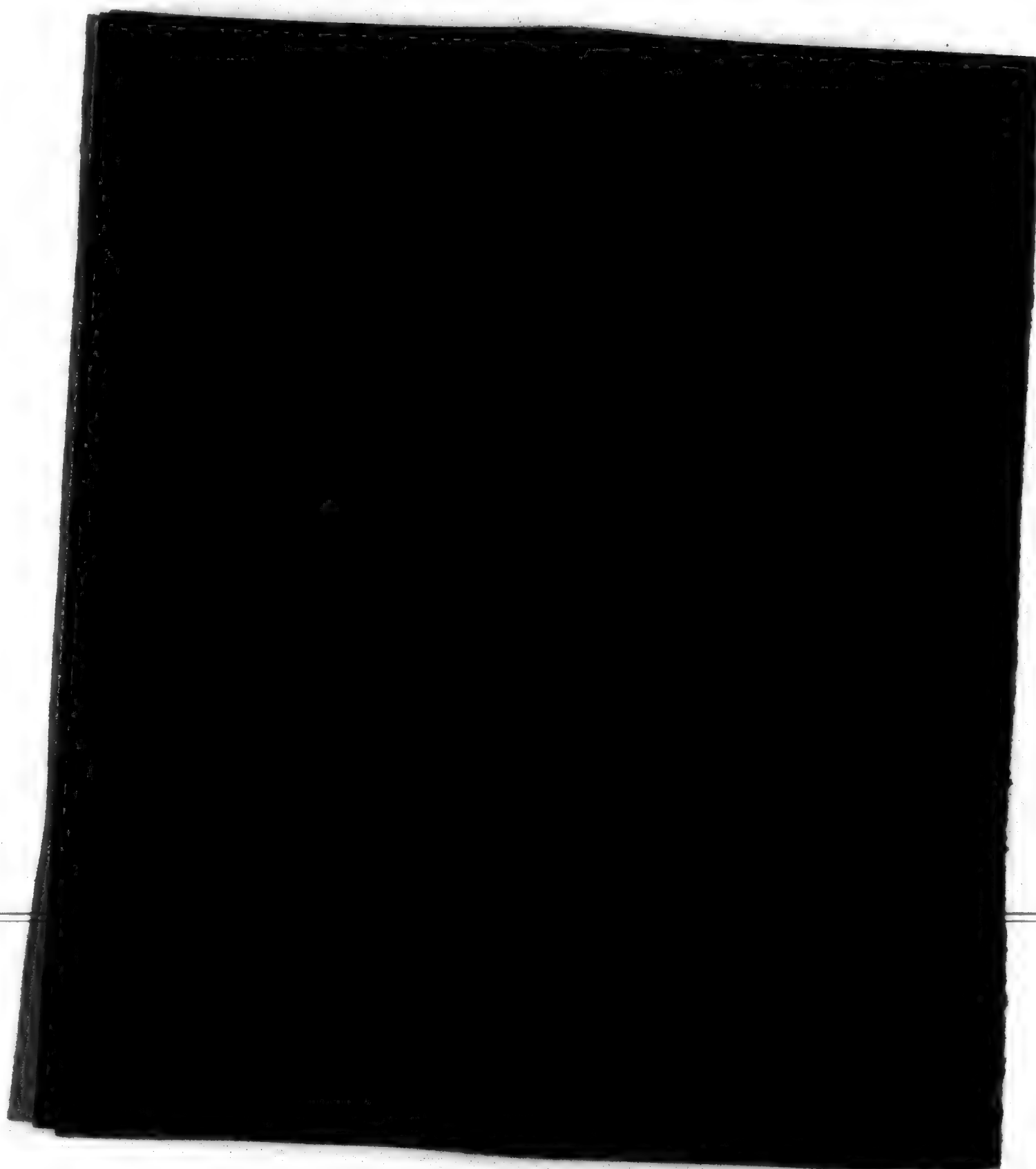
S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By Wm. L. Blair Wm. L. Blair Wm. L. Blair Attorneys.  
John L. Blair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 15 day of Oct, 1886.

William M. Blair  
Wm. L. Blair  
NOTARY PUBLIC.





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Gibson & Tamm

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION  
THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF  
TALLACE LUSK FOR ADMISSION  
TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE UNITED NATION.

FILED SEPT. 8 1906 ☆  
A. S. McKENNOT  
COM'R

*Repeted*

Ed. Smith  
G.D. Denison.  
Atty.  
for applicants.

**End**





Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Yester Muller do solemnly swear that on the 8th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 353 received from postmaster, John A. Smith is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Yester Muller and of the affidavits of Yester Muller in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on the 8th day of September, 1896.

Mr. A. Smith

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

Before me, United States Commissioner, on this 21st day of

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at

in the County of

State of

APPLICATION OF  
*John A. Smith* He is  
MR  
Resident in *Cherokee* Nation  
Held on the day of 189  
Sec. U. S. Comm. Hiv. Civ. Tribes.  
Attorney for Petitioner.



## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

John A. Smith Et. Al. }  
VS. PETITIONER, } APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.  
Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, }  
RESPONDENT. }

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner John A. Smith states that Elisabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in The Old Cherokee Nation, N.C. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elisabeth Christie appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1836.

That the petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Elisabeth Christie to-wit:  
That the post office address of your petitioner is Fulton, Kansas, and he is a mixture of white and Cherokee Indian, and is at least one sixteenth Cherokee blood. That he is the son of Sabra L. Smith, and Sabra L. Smith is the daughter of the late Harvey W. Fairman and Lodoski Fairman, and the late Lodoski Fairman was the daughter of the late Shadrick and Hannah P. Allard, and that the said Hannah P. Allard was the daughter of the late John Putnam and Elisabeth Putnam, and that the maiden name of the said Elisabeth Putnam was Elisabeth Christie, and that she was born in Knox County, Tenn. in 1776, and died in said Knox County Tenn. in 1840. That the said Elisabeth Christie lived in the Old Cherokee Nation in Tenn. and North Carolina, and spoke the Cherokee language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner two persons, as follows, to-wit:

<u>Edmond H. Smith,</u>	a	<u>son</u>	, and	<u>fifteen</u>	years of age
<u>Ada Smith</u>	, a	<u>daughter</u>	, and	<u>three</u>	years of age
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Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that he be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians, with those of

his said descendants, to-wit: Edmond H. Smith  
and Ada Smith be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and  
immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your  
petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever  
pray, etc.

J. P. Wallen & R. R. Martin  
Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, John A. Smith says that the statements  
set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

John A. Smith Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3 day of September 1896.

Wm. H. Green Notary Public.  
Comm. expires March 11<sup>th</sup> 1899

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John A. Smith

Cherokee

FILED SEPT. 7. 1896. ★  
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Refused

Joseph P. Miller  
Clerk



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Nation's No. 2783 -

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Lillian M. Brodlo*  
*et al*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1894 \*

A. S. MCKENNON

~~COM'R~~



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Julien M. Broadbent et al*

Nation's No. *2783*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*James and John Brown* through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William Hutchings and Daniel* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

# Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, E. Vester Mutter

do solemnly swear that on the 4th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mhyes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package which contained true copies of the application of Julius M. Brooks and of the affidavit of Julius M. Brooks and James Jackson in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 4th day of September, 1896.

Thos. B. Latham

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

No. 3044 374  
Sillie M. Brooks

Charles

FILED SEPT. 7. 1896. ☆  
A. S. McKENNON  
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Refused

Joseph R. Miller  
Att'y



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

Lillie M. Brooks

Et. Al.

PETITIONER,

VS.

Cherokee

Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner

Lillie M. Brooks

states that

Augusta Wilkerson

was a

Cherokee

Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in

in the old Cherokee Nation in North Carolina

and enjoyed all the rights, privileges,

benefits and immunities of other

Cherokee

Indians by blood in the said Cherokee

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said

Augusta Wilkerson

appears

or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said

Cherokee

Indians for the year

That the petition is a lineal descendant of the said

Augusta Wilkerson

to-wit

That the post-office address of your petitioner is Van Buren, Ark. That she is of Cherokee Indian blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother Fannie Foster and her father, Ebenezer Foster, her father being about one-half Cherokee blood, and her mother about one-fourth Cherokee blood. Petitioner's mother was born in North Carolina in the year of 18... , the father being born in the present Cherokee Nation, in the year of 18... and she was a recognized citizen of the Cherokee Nation. Your petitioner has been contending for her rights in the Cherokee Nation for the past several years. That petitioner intermarried with H. A. Brooks

laws, usages and customs of the said

Cherokee

That under the constitution,

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United

States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member

of said

Cherokee

Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits,

privileges and immunities of other

Cherokee

Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner

four

persons, as follows, to-wit:

Ollie Brooks

David

Therman

Bertie M.

daughter

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years of age

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years of age

daughter

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years of age

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Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that

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name, with those of

her  
said descendants to-wit: Ellie Dent  
Thurmon  
Bertha May  
and  
be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and  
immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or  
Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.  
And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner  
will ever pray, etc.

The aforementioned petitioner, Levin M. Brown says that the statements  
set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 23rd day of March 1896.  
Willie C. Curry Notary Public.  
My commission expires March, 14, 1898.

No.	APPLICATION OF	FOR	El. Ali.	Enrollment in	Nation	Filed on the	day of	189	Sec. U. S. Com Five Civ. Tribes	Attorney for Petitioner.	CAPITAL PRIZE, South McAlester.

No.

APPLICATION OF

Et. AL.

FOR

Enrollment in

Nation

Filed on the

day of

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Sec. U. S. Com Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

CAPITAL PRINT, South McAlester.



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Lillie M. Brooks

FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE

STATE OF Indian Territory

Cherokee NATION,

COUNTY OF

Northern Div.

} SS.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Lillie M. Brooks

who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That she is 29

years of age, and a resident of the State of Arkansas

and County of Crawford and

postoffice address is

van Buren, Ark.

; that she is personally acquainted with

who is an applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee

Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That she is an admixture of negro and Cherokee blood, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee Indian blood from her father and her mother: the name of her father being Abner Foster, and her mother's maiden name was Wilkerson. That the said Abner Foster was a half blood Cherokee and resided in Flint Dist., where he was born, raised and died. He died in 1870. Affiant has been residing in Mis. and Ark. and she has been conducting for her rights for the past several years. That she intermarried with H. A. Brooks in the year of 1886, and by such intermarriage the following named children were born, and are now living, viz: Ollie, Thurman Bert, and Bertha May, respective ages of whom were 7, 5, 3 and 1. That said children are of Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That she has known the said Cherokee for the past years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said herself indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said of herself she believes the said herself to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and a lineal descendant of the said Cherokee.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

22<sup>nd</sup>

day of

June

1896

My Commission expires March 1<sup>st</sup> 1899.

Notary Public.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Lillie M. Brooks  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Tenn. } SS.  
COUNTY OF Sequoyah

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared Et. Chief Ross who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That he is 70 years of age, a resident of the State of Tenn. and County of Sequoyah and that he is personally acquainted with Lillie M. Brooks who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states.  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That Augusta Wilkerson was a full blood Cherokee Indian that lived in the old nation east and was a member of the old Cherokee Nation east and was never recognized and spoke the Cherokee Indian language and lived and died in the state of Tenn. Affiant states that Fannie Wilkerson was a daughter of Augusta Wilkerson and that Lillie M. Brooks is a daughter of Fannie Wilkerson. Affiant states further that Fannie Wilkerson is one half Cherokee Indian by blood and Lillie M. Brooks is 1/4 Cherokee Indian by blood.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Lillie M. Brooks for the past 20 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by him neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Lillie M. Brooks indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Augusta Wilkerson he believes the said Lillie M. Brooks to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Jan 1894.  
Et. Chief Ross  
O. J. Johnson

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My commission expires Feb 1895.



# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Lillie M. Brooks  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indiana  
COUNTY OF Sequoia

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Geo. W. Vann who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That he is 81 years of age, and a resident of the State of Ind. and County of Sequoia his postoffice address is Melcher & Co. that he is personally acquainted with Lillie M. Brooks who is an applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)  
That Lillie M. Brooks is the daughter of Edwiger Foster & Fannie Foster and Edwiger Foster was a native of the Cherokee Indian blood and lived and resided in the present Cherokee nation and died there the year of 1870 and the said Edwiger Foster in unmarried Fannie Foster nee Witherum and by such marriage the said Lillie M. Brooks and Foster was born. Affiant further states that the Edwiger Foster is one half Cherokee Indian by blood. Affiant further states that Fannie Foster nee Witherum is the daughter of Augusta Witherum a full blood Cherokee Indian that lived in the old Cherokee nation east in Ch. Co. and was a member of the old Cherokee nation and spoke the Cherokee language and was recognized a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in its organization and that Lillie M. Brooks is a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indians.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Lillie M. Brooks for the past 28 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Lillie M. Brooks indicate that she is Cherokee Indian blood and descent.

Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Fosters he believes the said Lillie M. Brooks to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe, and a final descendant of the said Foster and Witherum.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Aug 1896  
My Commission expires Feb 1899  
Geo. W. Vann  
B. B. Brennan  
Notary Public.



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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 6th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Samuel B. Kader and of the affidavits of Vester Mullen in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

Plato Oak  
County Clerk

John D. Satchan  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.



# Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Vester Mullen.....do solemnly swear that on the 6  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383.....received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Samuel B. Kaskin.....and of the  
affidavits of.....  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

Walter A. Ash  
County Clerk

Vester Mullen

John N. Sartan

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

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Hampden

Chesler

FILED SEPT. 7 1896  
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Joseph A. Waller

Waller

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

Fannie B. Weisler Et. Al. PETITIONER, VS. Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, RESPONDENT. APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Fannie B. Weisler states that Elisabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation, and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elisabeth Christie appears on the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1835.

That the petitioner is a legal descendant of the said Elisabeth Christie to-wit: That the post office address of your petitioner is Kansas City Missouri and she is a mixture of white and Cherokee Indian blood, and is at least one sixteenth Cherokee blood, and that she is the daughter of Nancy Ann McGovern, and that Nancy Ann McGovern was the daughter of Phoebe Jane, and James M. Fairman, and the late James M. Fairman was the son of the late Mary V. Fairman and Lodeski Fairman, and the late Lodeski Fairman was the daughter of the late Shadrick and Hannah P. Allard, and the said Hannah P. Allard was the daughter of the late John Putnam and Elisabeth both Christie, and said Elisabeth Christie was born in Knox County, Tenn. in 1795, and died in said county in 1840. Said Elisabeth Christie lived in the old Cherokee Nation in Tenn., and North Carolina, and spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner one persons, as follows, to-wit:

Edith E. Weisler, daughter, and infant years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age  
and years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that



See said descendants, to-wit: Reuben H. Heiler

and be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever

J. P. Mullens & W. W. Martin  
Attorneys for petitioners.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15 day of August, 1896.

John P. Mullens & W. W. Martin  
Notary Public.

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Color	Birth	Married	Profession	Religion	Education	Occupation	Residence	County	State
1	Reuben H. Heiler	45	M	W	1851	Yes	Farmer	Methodist	High School	Farmer	Indian Territory	Cherokee	Cherokee
2	John P. Mullens	40	M	W	1856	Yes	Attorney	Methodist	College	Attorney	Indian Territory	Cherokee	Cherokee
3	W. W. Martin	35	M	W	1861	Yes	Attorney	Methodist	College	Attorney	Indian Territory	Cherokee	Cherokee

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15 day of August, 1896.

John P. Mullens & W. W. Martin  
Notary Public.

COMMISSION FOR ENROLLMENT

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DECLARATION FOR NATURALIZATION

DECLARATION OF  
I, John Doe, of the  
County of San Diego, State of California,  
do hereby declare that I am a native-born  
citizen of the United States of America,  
and that I am qualified to receive  
the rights and privileges of naturalization.  
Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of  
January, 1900.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of January, 1900, at San Diego, California.

Notary Public for California.





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Nation's No. 4933

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Wicks from Mays et al*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT. 21,  
H M JACOWAY-

Before the Honorable Henry J. Deane, Clerk of the Court, and  
J. B. Montgomery, Commissioner.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Murtha June Mayes et al*

Nation's No. *4933*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *through whom the petitioner claim to derive*

*right*  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation, that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

*This party claims through the same ancestor  
as Aaron Bellum Nations No 2228,  
a copy of which records has been filed*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *William M. Neaga* Attorneys.  
*William M. Neaga* Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *15* day of *over* 1896.

*William M. Neaga*  
*William M. Neaga*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

NO. ~~2950376~~

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION  
TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF MARTHA JANE MAYO ET AL  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP  
IN THE CHEROKEE NATION.

FILED SEPT 8 1896 ★  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM'R

Ed. Smith  
G.B. Denison  
Attys. for applicants.



NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION  
TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
Martha Jane Glover et al. ~~xxx~~ Mayo et als.  
FOR ADMISSION TO CHEROKEE C TIZERSHIP.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
INDIAN TERRITORY  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

I, J.S. Mo. Crary of lawful age being duly  
sworn say that the attached registry receipt is a receipt  
for a true and complete copy of the application and  
papers accompanying the same, in the above entitled case  
and that I am not interested in any way in the prosecution  
of said claim.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Sept. 1896.

James S. Mo. Crary  
Myrd Young  
Notary Pub. Co.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

BEFORE THE HON. COMMISSION  
TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF MARTHA JANE MAYO  
ET AL FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE  
CHEROKEE NATION.

A P P L I C A T I O N .

The undersigned Martha Jane Mayo on her own behalf and on behalf  
of her children and grand children whose names sex and ages  
are herein after given, says that they live in the 15th civil  
district of Gibson, State of Tenn., and most respectfully represent  
and show into this Hon. Commission, that she and her children  
and grand children herein after named are of Cherokee Indian blood  
and Cherokee Indian blood being derived from her mother who was  
Theresa Bryant, who married Joshua Springer, said Theresa being a  
daughter of Jno. Bryant.

Said Martha Jane Mayo says that she is a cousin of Hanna Filopin,  
L.A. Springer  
Agent before the Gov. Below and Harve Belew, who are applicants, and  
she respectfully asks that this application may be considered in  
connection with theirs, and that any testimony offered in sup-  
port of said application presented before this Hon. Commission.

And she further says that she and her children herein named  
are all connected with the hearing of this application.

The names, sex and ages of the applicants herein are as follows:  
Martha Jane Mayo, female, age 35 years old.

Lizzie Hicks, daughter, wife of Edwin Hicks, 30 years.

Vernon Hicks, son of Lizzie, age 11 yrs.

V. L. Hicks, daughter of Lizzie, 8 years.

Bessie Hicks, daughter of Lizzie, 6 years.

Hawley Hicks, son of Lizzie, 4 years.

Nannie Walker, wife of Pierce Walker, daughter of Martha Jane Mayo  
aged 25 years.

Conrad B. Walker, son of Nannie Walker, aged 3 years.

Applicants ask that this their application may be heard and determined and that ~~they~~ be admitted to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation and enrolled as such citizens.

In presence of

*Gardell Starns*  
*S. F. Newton*

State of Tennessee (4) SS.  
( )  
Gibson County. ( )  
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before me, a Notary Public, in and for the said state and county, duly commissioned, qualified and acting as such, personally appeared before me Martha Jane Mayo to me known as the person signing the above and foregoing application and being first duly sworn says that she knows the contents of same and that the statements therein contained are true as she verily believes.

Given under my hand and seal as such Notary Public, this day of September, 1890. my commission expires in April 1899.

*R. E. Edwards*

Notary Public.

Attorney for applicant.





State of Tennessee }  
Gibson County }

Before me R. G. Edwards  
a Notary Public in and for said County  
duly commissioned & qualified and  
acting, personally appeared before me  
Harry H. Balow with whom I am  
personally acquainted and who  
made oath as follows - I am  
57 years old and live in the 15<sup>th</sup>  
Civil District of Gibson County - Tenn  
and have all my life, I know  
Martha Jane Mayo, and have known  
since I knew anyone, she married  
Allen Mayo who is now dead.  
She has lived in Gibson County ever  
since she married Mayo, prior to  
that time she lived in Carroll  
County - Tenn close to the Gibson  
County line with her parents.  
She is the daughter of Joshua Spring  
& Theresa Spring both now  
dead. She is also  
the daughter of John Bryant  
and said Theresa Bryant was  
the sister Mary (Alma Polite) Bryant  
- who married Samuel Balow  
and said Martha Jane

is a cousin to Hannah Flippin Gov.  
Benn. Aaron Belus & myself.

She said Martha Jane Mayo has two  
children living, one named Lizzie  
who is the wife of Addison Hides, and  
she is about 30 years old, and said  
Lizzie has four children. Vermont Hides  
about 16 years old. Vortie Hides about  
9 years old. Bertie Hides about 5  
years. & Haully Hides 1 year old.  
Also one daughter named Nannie  
who married Rance Walker. She is  
about 25 years old, and has one  
child a boy named Connie B. Wal-  
ker about 5 years old, & from  
them all were said Martha Jane  
Mayo her children & grand children  
all live in said 15<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist. of Gib-  
son County Tenn. Since John Bay-  
cut was always considered and  
understood to be half blood Cherokee  
Indian.

H. H. Belus

Sworn to & subscribed before  
me 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 1896. My commission ex-  
pires in April 1897.

Reddick notary  
public

State of Tennessee }  
Gibson County } Before me R. E. Ed-  
wards a Notary Public in and for said  
County State duly commissioned & qualified  
and acting - personally appeared Stephen  
Phares with whom I am personally  
acquainted and made oath as follows -  
I am about 70 years old live in  
Gibson County State of Tennessee and  
have all my life, I know Martha  
Jane Mayo and have known her  
all her life. She is the widow of  
Allison Mayo. whom I know well.  
She is the daughter of Joshua Springer  
and Thessa Springer both of whom I  
know well. Said Thessa Springer  
was daughter of John Bryant -  
who lived in Gibson County Tenn  
and died several years before the war  
of 1861-5. Said John Bryant - was  
known by all who knew him  
to be a Cherokee Indian of the  
half blood. Said Thessa Springer  
was a sister of Mary (called Polly)  
Bryant who married Samuel Belaw.  
Said Thessa was the mother of Hannah  
Flippin Sam. Belaw. Allen Belaw &  
Henry Belaw. Said Martha Jane



Mary is the mother of Lizzie Hides  
also married Rodden Hides, and said  
Lizzie has four children viz: Vernon  
Hides about 11 years old. Verlie Hides  
about 8 years old. Bertie Hides about  
5 years old. & Stanley Hides about 1  
year old. She is also the mother  
of Nannie Walker wife of Pierce Wal-  
ker, and said Nannie has one  
child named Connie B. Walker a  
boy about 5 years old. I know  
them all well and they all  
live in 15<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist - of Gibson  
Co. by Tennessee the mother. Chil-  
dren & grand children. I know John  
Walker in his lifetime well lived  
out of the farm house.

Subscribed before Stephen <sup>his</sup> McPherson  
Notary Public  
on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept - 1886.

My Commission as Notary Public expires  
April 1888.

R. Edwards

Notary Public

**End**





No 3042  
Carver Foster

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Chokee

FILED SEPT 4 1890  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM' R

Reflected

Joseph M. ...  
[Signature]

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen .....do solemnly swear that on the 5  
day of September, 1898, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 258 ..... received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
George F. Lee ..... and of the  
affidavits of George F. Lee .....  
in support of same. Vester Mullen

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5 day of September, 1898.

Thos. W. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

JOHN HENRY L. DAVIS, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARTHUR W. BARNETT, THOMAS H. LAMAR and ALEXANDER S. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by act of Congress of June 10th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned, your petitioner, for and in behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ children, this day makes application to you for the purpose of being placed on the roll of the Cherokee Indians, and of those allowed to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. And grounds upon which \_\_\_\_\_ claims citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, to-wit:

that the name of your petitioner is Corrie Foster; that she is 43 years of age; that her post-office address is Van Horn, Ark. That she is one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother the late Jane Rosen, who was the daughter of the late Caroline Fledger. That said Caroline Fledger lived with and among the Cherokees all of her life; that she was a half-breed Cherokee Indian, and that she spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in the Cherokee Nation in what is now the State of Ga.

Petitioner further states that she intermarried with \_\_\_\_\_ Foster, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living the herein below mentioned children. That said children are of Cherokee blood and descent.

And in support of said claim, your petitioner herewith submits the affidavits, signed and sworn to by \_\_\_\_\_, namely:

Jane Agnew (affidavit of)

and respectfully awaits the time and place when my application shall be heard and acted.  
Respectfully submitted,

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
Hollie	22	Daughter
Nora	17	"
Adelia	14	"
Lou	3	"
Gra Belle	2	"

State of Arkansas, ss  
County of \_\_\_\_\_  
I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Notary Public in and for the State of Arkansas, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Arkansas,  
duly sworn, and that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true, to-wit:  
Witness my hand and seal this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.  
My commission expires on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.



# Affidavit of Witness.

In the matter of Petition and Memorial of Carrie Foster  
for Admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
STATE OF Arkansas  
COUNTY OF Crawford

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Jane Agnew who, after being by me duly sworn, states:  
That she is 75 years of age, and a resident of the State of Arkansas  
and County of Crawford, and that she is personally acquainted with  
Carrie Foster who is an applicant for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said Carrie Foster is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, the late Jane Reamon. That this affiant knew the said Jane Reamon, and knows that she always claimed to be of Cherokee blood and descent. That the said Jane was the daughter of the late Caroline Pledger. That this affiant also was personally acquainted with the said Caroline Pledger and knows that her complexion and physical appearance indicated that she was of Cherokee blood and descent. Affiant further states that she has always been informed by the said Caroline Pledger that she was of Cherokee blood, and descent, and that she was a half-blood Cherokee Indian, and was a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and of the Cherokee Nation. That she resided with and among the Cherokees in what is now the State of Ga.

Affiant further states that she knows that the said Carrie Foster is the identical person that she represents herself to be in her application for Cherokee Indian citizenship, and that she and her descendants are rightfully and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood, being descendants of the late Caroline Pledger Cherokee Indian family.

Affiant further states: That she has known the said Carrie Foster for the past 75 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her acquaintances and the public generally, as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Carrie Foster indicate that she is of Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Carrie Foster he believes the said Carrie Foster to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Witness: E. R. Matlock

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Sept

My Commission expires Jan 8th

**End**





No 3046

IN THE MATTER OF

*Liee D. Malley*

Petition and Memorial

FOR

CITIZENSHIP

In the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

FILED SEPT. 7 1896 ★  
A. S. McKENNA  
COM.

*Refused*

*Joseph P. Amulet*  
*Atty*

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 6th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 358 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of John Mayes affidavits of 2 affidavits not sworn to Vester Mullen in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

TO HON. HENRY L. DAVIS, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. GARRISON and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by act of Congress of June 10th, 1898, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned, your petitioner, for and in behalf of herself and her children, this day makes application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians, and of those allowed to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. And grounds upon which her claim is based are as follows, to-wit:

That her name is Alice D. Whaley; that she is 21 years of age; that her post-office address is Vian, I. T. That she is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That she is the daughter of her mother, Minerva Parker, who is a full blood Cherokee, and who was the daughter of her father, the late Pelly Haskrat and James Williams, both of whom were full blood Cherokees, and were members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians. That she intermarried with Anderson J. Whaley, and by such intermarriage there was born, and is now living, the herein below named child.

And in support of said claim, your petitioner herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence, namely:

**Affidavits of himself and Minerva Parker.**

and respectfully awaits the time and place when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Alice D. Whaley*  
*By J. W. Du*

NAMES.	AGE.	Relationship.
Alice D. Whaley	21	Mother and wife.
Henry Whaley	2	

Indian Territory.

*J. W. Du* appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for this territory, and affirmed and swore that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing application are true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of July, 1901.

My commission expires on the 1st day of August, 1901.



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Alice D. Whaley  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Territory } ss.  
COUNTY OF Northern Div. }

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Personally appeared Minerva Parker who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That she is 35 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County of Illinois Dist. and that she is personally acquainted with Alice D. Whaley who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said Allice D. Whaley is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Mariah Parker, who was one half Cherokee blood, and who was the daughter of affiant, Minerva Parker. The said Minerva Parker is a full blood Cherokee, and is the daughter of the late Polly Muskrat and James Williams, both of whom were full blood Cherokees, and were members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

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Affiant further states: That she has known the said Alice D. Whaley for the past        years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Alice D. Whaley indicate that she is Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Alice D. Whaley she believes the said Alice D. Whaley to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this        day of        189      

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires       

DALLAS STAR PRINT.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Alice D. Whaley  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Territory }  
COUNTY OF Northern Div. }

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Personally appeared Alice D. Whaley who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That she is 21 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County of Illinois Dist. and that she personally associated with who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

that she is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her mother, Marrah Parker, who was one-fourth Cherokee blood, and who was the daughter of Minerva Parker, who is a full blood Cherokee Indian, and who is the daughter of Polly Muskrat and James Williams both of whom were full blood Cherokees, and were members of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

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Affiant further states: That she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of herself indicate that she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Minerva Parker she believes herself to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of.....189.....

My Commission expires.....

DELIVER BY THE PRINT.

**End**



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No 8047 379-  
IN THE MATTER OF

Mary F. Winbush

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

...FOR...

CITIZENSHIP

In the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

FILED SEPT. 7 1896. \*

A. S. MCKENNON

Clerk

Refused

Joseph M. Miller

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Nation's No. 2779

Commission's No. 379

In re Application of

Mary F. Winbush  
Et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mary J. Winbush*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2779*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Amie and John P. Brown*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harley H. Hatcher & Ben Smith* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *25* day of *Sept* 1896.

*D. F. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 5  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Marg F. Stenhouse and of the  
affidavits of Vester Mullen  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5th day of September, 1896.

Mr. B. Latham  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

application for enrollment  
 to hon Henry L. Dawes and Mr. S. commissioners  
 authorized by act of congress of June 10th 1896 to hear  
 and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
 Nation gentlemen the under signed your petitioners  
 for and in behalf of our children this day make  
 application to you for the purpose of being placed  
 on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians and of those  
 allowed to share in the distribution of funds and  
 allotment of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue  
 of their Cherokee blood and grounds which my claim  
 is based are as follows to wit Mary F. Winbush the  
 Daughter of W. H. Houston who is the son of Anna  
 Brown who was the Daughter of Winnie and John  
 Brown who I take my Indian blood from and my

	family is as follows	age
	Mary F. Winbush	33
my husband	Steve Winbush	29
	Anna M. Van	17
	James H. Van	15
	Lula Winbush	8
	Cornetus Winbush	6
	Everell Winbush	1

and in support of said claim your petitioners here with  
 submit the affidavits depositions and second evidence  
 namely W. H. Houston my Father and his cousin Rev  
 G. W. Vane and respectfully awaits the time and place  
 when my application shall be heard and tried respectfully  
 submitted

Mary F. Winbush Bonham  
 Texas  
 Gammie Co



I hereby certify that the within is a  
true copy of the Original  
This 21 day of Aug 1899

B Brewer  
Notary Public

Henry C. Winbush

**End**

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No 3647  
IN THE MATTER OF

*Mattie Webb*

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

FOR

CITIZENSHIP

In the *Cherokee* Nation, I. T.

FILED OCT 7 1896.  
U. S. DEPT. OF COMMERCE

*Respectfully*

*Joseph A. Mueller*  
*AM*

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 14  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Mattie M. Con and of the  
affidavits of Vester Mullen  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 14th day of September, 1896.

Mr. B. Sachs

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

application for enrollment  
to hon Henry L. Dawes and Re. S. commissioners  
Authorized by act of congress of June 10th 96 to hear  
and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation gentlemen the under signed your petitioners  
for and in behalf of our children this day make  
application to you for the purpose of being placed  
on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians and of those  
allowed to share in the distribution of funds and  
allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue  
of their Cherokee blood and grounds which my claim  
is based are as follows to wit Mattie McCause the  
Daughter of Elen Allison who was the Daughter of  
Anna Brown who was a Daughter of Wannie and  
John Brown who I take my Indian blood from  
and my family is as follows

Mattie McCause 31

my husband George McCause 29

and in support of said claim your petitioners here  
with submits the affidavits depositions and record  
evidence namely H. H. Houston my Mother's Brother  
and his cousin Rev. G. W. Vassar and respectfully  
awaits the time and place when my application  
shall be heard and tried respectfully Submitted  
Mattie McCause

Huntsville

Madison Co

Ala



I hereby certify that the within is a true  
copy of Original This 21 day of aug 1896

B. Brewer

Notary Public

Notary Public

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Nation's No. 2772

Commission's No .....

In re Application of

Mathew M. Cord  
et al.

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Mattie M. Doris et al*

Nation's No. *2772*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Minnie and John Brown*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hatchings, Hatchings & Boudinot* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**

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3048  
*Harry Connell*

FILED SEPT. 7. 1896 ☆  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM '2

*Accepted*

*Joseph P. Moore*



Peter Mueller

AND  
 Testimony

~~Witnessed and sworn to before me, on this 4th day of September, 1896.~~

Thos. B. Satchell

**NOTARY PUBLIC.**

**My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.**

application for enrollment  
to hon Henry L. Dawes and U.S. commissioners  
authorized by act of congress of June 10<sup>th</sup> 1896 to hear  
and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation gentlemen the under signed your petitioners  
for and in behalf of our children this day make  
application to you for the purpose of being placed  
on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians and of those  
allowed to share in the distribution of funds and  
allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue  
of their Cherokee blood and grounds which my claim  
is based are as follows to wit: Mary Conway the  
Daughter of Ellen Allison who was the Daughter  
of Anna Brown who was the Daughter of Winnie  
and John Brown who I take my Indian blood  
from and my family is as follows

Mary Conway <sup>ages</sup> 26

my husband Charles Conway 32

and in support of said claim your petitioners  
have with submitted the affidavits deposition and record  
of the same by W. H. Houston my Mother's Brother  
and his cousin Rev. G. W. Wain and respectfully  
trust the time and place when my application  
shall be heard and tried respectfully submitted

Contents of the foregoing instrument, that they  
signed the same this the 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1896. Subscribed and sworn to.

J. B. Boyer

Notary Public.

Clary Conner



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Nation's No. 2777  
Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Harry Conroy  
et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

SEP. 28 1896

A. S. McKENNON

COM 'R'

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Henry Conway et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2777*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent, not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Heinie and John Person*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Heinie, Thudings & Person* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.  
John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.  
*John L. Adair*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.  
*D. J. Ball*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Harold Swaine

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Cherokee nation

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S. E. FINNORE  
C. O.

Joseph Miller

Joseph Miller

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mhyee, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 283 received from postmaster hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Hugh H. Furcutt and of the affidavits of Vester Mullen and Vester Mullen in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

Walter H. Harrison  
County of Sebastian

W. A. Harrison

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.



application for enrollment  
to Hon Henry L. Dawes and U. S. commissioners  
authorized by act of congress of June 10th 1896 to hear  
and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation gentlemen the under signed your petitioner  
for and in behalf of our children this day make  
application to you for the purpose of being placed  
on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Indians and of those  
allowed to share in the distribution of funds and  
allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue  
of their Cherokee blood and grounds upon which my  
claim is based are as follows to wit:

Hugh H. Turentine the son of Betty Turentine  
who was the Daughter of Anna Brown who was the  
Daughter of Wimmie and John Brown who I take  
my Indian blood from and <sup>my</sup> family is as follows  
Hugh H. Turentine 24

and in support of said claim your petitioner here  
with submits the affidavits depositions and record  
evidence namely to the Honorable my Attorney General  
and his cousin Rev. G. W. Vane and respectfully  
awaits the time and place when my application  
shall be heard and tried respectfully submitted  
Hugh H. Turentine 22

State of Kentucky  
County of Henderson

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Personally appeared before  
me John I Moore a Notary Public  
in and for the County and  
State aforesaid Hugh H. Furstine  
who signed the foregoing applica-  
tion in my presence and  
acknowledged the same to  
be his act and deed and for  
the purpose mentioned in  
said paper

Witness my hand and seal  
of Office this 13 day of August  
1896

John I Moore  
Notary Public

Hugh H. Furstine

Hugh H. Furstine Henderson, Ky  
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Nation's No. 2775  
Commission's No.

In re Application of

Jugh. H. Turner  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 8 1896

A. S. McKENNON

Clerk



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Hugh H. Turndine*  
*et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2775*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Winnick & John Brown* through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
By *Hastings, Huddings & Bannister* Attorneys.  
John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Joseph P. Muller  
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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Muller do solemnly swear that on the 14th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 387 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of John J. Lawrence and of the affidavits of Vester Muller in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 14th day of September, 1896.

Mr. W. S. Smith

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

application for enrollment  
to hon Henry L. Dawes and U. S. commissioners  
Authorized by act of congress of June 10<sup>th</sup> 1896 to hear and  
determine citizenship in the Cherokee Nation gentlemen  
the under signed your petitioners for and in behalf of  
our children this day make application to you for the  
purpose being placed on the revised rolls of the Cherokee  
Indians and of those allowed to share in the distribution  
of funds and allotment of lands in the Cherokee Nation  
by virtue of their blood and grounds which my claim is  
based on as follows to wit Thomas Turrentine the  
son of Betsey Turrentine who was a Daughter of  
Anna Brown who was the Daughter of Winnie and  
John Brown who I take my Indian blood from and  
my family is as follows age

Thomas Turrentine 41

and in support of said claim your petitioners here  
with submits the affidavits deposition and record evidence  
namely W. H. Houston my Mother's Brother and his  
cousin Rev. G. W. Vann and respectfully awaits  
the time and place when my application shall be  
heard and tried respectfully submitted

Thomas Turrentine

Bell Buckle

Bedford Co

Tennessee

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the  
original This 21 day of Aug 1898

W B Brewer Notary Public



**End**

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No. ~~8049~~ 384  
William Barrett

FILED SEPT. 7 1896  
A. S. MCKENNON  
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Respect  
Joseph P. Muller



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Muller do solemnly swear that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of William J. J. J. J. and of the affidavits of Vester Muller in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

Mr. A. J. J. J.  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

application for enrollment  
 to Hon. Henry L. Dawes and U.S. commissioners  
 authorized by act of congress of June 10<sup>th</sup> 1896 to hear  
 and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee  
 Nation. The undersigned your petitioners  
 for and in behalf of our children this day make  
 application to you for the purpose of being placed on  
 the united rolls of the Cherokee Indians and of those  
 entitled to share in the distribution of funds and  
 allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation by virtue  
 of their Cherokee blood and grounds upon which my  
 claim is based are as follows to wit:

William L. Turentine the Son of Betsy Turentine  
 who was the Daughter of Anna Brown who was the  
 Daughter of Wm. and John Brown who take  
 my Indian blood from and my family is as  
 follows William L. Turentine 29

Letitia Turentine 24

Maggie Turentine 7

Henry Turentine 4

Ruggs Turentine 2

Earl Turentine 8 months

and in support of said claim your petitioners have  
 with them the affidavits, depositions and record  
 evidence namely Wm. Turentine my brother  
 and his cousin Rev. J. W. Brown and respectfully  
 certify the foregoing facts upon my application  
 that I have and have respectfully submitted

Witness the above  
Hugh Carey H-7  
Bathurst

Subscribed to and sworn to  
before me this Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> 1896.  
R. M. Sullivan  
Notary Public

William G. Turentine

William G. Turentine  
Bell Buckle  
Bedford County  
Tenn.



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*et al*

**Deponent and Answer.**

Filed 28 896

A. I. McKENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Thomas Turner*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2770*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Winnie John Brown*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Asenigo, Hulehup, Bonin* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *25* day of *Sept* 1896.

*D. F. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Nation's No. 2774  
Commission's No.

In re Application of

William Tunnah  
Et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 27 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*William Turndine*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2774*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Winnie & John Bracon*  
through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Anders, Hutchings & Bondurant* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1906.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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Geo W. Adanson  
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A. S. McKENNON  
Clerk

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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Muller, do solemnly swear that on the 6th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Wagon, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383, received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Samuel Wagon and of the Wagon and Vester Muller incorporated name.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

State Atty  
Chas. F. Sebastian

Mr. A. S. Satch

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

# Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

Geo. W. Admon, Et Al.,  
VS- PETITIONER,  
Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVEMENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:-

Your petitioner Geo. W. Admon states that Bettie or Betsey Ross was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation in Tenn. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Bettie, or Betsey, Ross appears, or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Bettie, or Betsey, Ross to-wit:-  
That the post-office address of your petit oner is Van Buren Arkansas, and he is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his mother, the late Lucy Admon nee Harlow, who was the daughter of the late Rebecca Harlow, who spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and who was a half-breed Cherokee Indian, and was an recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and who was the daughter of the late Betsey, or Bettie Ross, who was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and also a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in the old Cherokee Nation, in what is now the State of Tenn., and  
Further states that he has been taught from his earliest infancy that he is of Cherokee blood, and descent.  
Further states he has intermarried and by such intermarriage the herein before mentioned children were born, and who are now living. That said children are of Cherokee blood, and descent

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and a member of said Tribe of Indians in the Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.  
That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner five persons, as follows, to-wit:-

NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
Sam	18	son
Eddy	16	daughter
Paul	14	son
Charles	8	son
	5	son

*[Handwritten signature and stamp]*



Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that his name, with those of his said descendants, to-wit: Alva, Ida, Ruby, Earl, and Elsie be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys for Petitioners.

The above named petitioner J. W. Adamson says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

Not a Public  
Agent of Cherokee

J. W. Adamson  
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5 day of Sept, 1899

Mr. B. Nathan Notary Public.  
My Com expires March 14 1900.

No.	
Application of	
FOR	
Enrollment in	
Nation.	
Filed on the	
day of	
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Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.	
Attorney for Petitioner.	

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**Application of**

..... Et Al.

— FOR —

Enrollment in ..... Nation.

Filed on the ..... day of ..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

state of Arkansas,  
county of Sebastian.

Geo. W. Vann being duly sworn, states:

That he is 81 years of age, and a resident of Sequoyah Dist., Cherokee Nation. That he is personally acquainted with Geo. W. Adamson, who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Affiant further states that he knew Lucy Adamson, and knows that she lived and died near Van Buren, Ar., That she was in complexion, and physical appearance an Indian by blood. That her maiden name, as affiant has been informed was Harlow, and was the daughter of the late Rebecca Harlow, whom this affiant knew in the State of Tenn., and knows that she was a half-breed Cherokee Indian; and this affiant always understood and verily believes that she was a recognized member and citizen of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and of the Cherokee Nation, in what is now the State of Tenn., and who was the daughter of the late Bettie, or Betsey Ross, whom this affiant knew well, and who resided within three miles of this affiant, and this affiant knows that she resided with and among the Cherokees all of her life, or the time that this affiant knew her, and that she spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian and was a recognized member and citizens of the Cherokee Nation, and of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, in the old Cherokee Nation, in what is now the State of Tenn.

Affiant further states that after conversing with the said Geo. W. Adamson, he verily believes that the said Geo. W. Adamson is a direct lineal descendant of the late Bettie, or Betsey, Ross Cherokee Indian family, and that he, the said Geo. W. Adamson, and his descendants are rightfully and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states that he has no interest whatsoever in the prosecution of the rights of the said Geo. W. Adamson, and that he is not interested either by blood or marriage to the said Geo. A. Adamson.

Affiant further states that he has resided in and among the Cherokees all of his life, and this affiant knows a Cherokee Indian, when he sees one, and this affiant knows full well that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Geo. A. Adamson, indicate very strongly that he is of Cherokee blood and descent.

*Geo. W. Vann*  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 5th of Sept.,

*Mr. O. Smith*  
Notary Public.

My commission expires on the 14th day of Nov., 1900.



# Affidavit of Witness.

In the matter of Petition and Memorial of George W. Adamson  
for Admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
STATE OF Arkansas  
COUNTY OF Sebastian

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Elish and Robert Jackson who, after being by me duly sworn, states:  
That they are 30 years of age, and a resident of the State of Arkansas and County of Sebastian, and that they are personally acquainted with Geo. W. Adamson who is an applicant for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That these affiants have known the said Geo. W. Adamson for the past 22 years, and know that during the whole time that he has claimed to be of Cherokee blood, and that during the whole time that he has claimed to be a right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of his Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That they has known the said Geo. W. Adamson for the past 22 years, and knows that he has been and is recognized by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally, as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Geo. W. Adamson indicate that he is of Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Geo. W. Adamson he believes the said Geo. W. Adamson to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian Tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5 day of Sept 1896.  
Elish Jackson  
Robert Jackson  
Notary Public.  
My Commission expires Mar. 14-1900

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Nation's No. 4508  
Commission's No .....  
In re Application of

G.P. Adams

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED OCT 21,  
H. M. JACOWAY -  
SEC.

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKinnon, T. B. Giddens, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

G. P. Adamson et al

Nation's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and answers the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that Wm Lewis

through whom the petitioner claim to derive their right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By Hutchings Hastings Procurator Cherokee Nation

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, deposes that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

5th Oct  
D. J. Ball



**End**

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No 3022 386  
James M. McKinnon

FILED SEPT. 7 1896. ★  
A. S. McKENNON  
Clerk

Refused

Joseph R. Miller  
[Signature]



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 4th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of James J. Mullen and of the affidavits of Wm. J. Hays and Vester Mullen in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 4th day of September, 1896.

Mr. A. L. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

## Application For Enrollment.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF INDIANS:

James M. Williams ..... Et Al.,  
VS PETITIONER,

Cherokee ..... Nation, Indian Territory,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED HONORABLE COMMISSION:—

Your petitioner James M. Williams states that Rachel Moss and John Williams was a Cherokee Indian by blood; was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation east and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Rachel Moss and John Williams appears, or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year.....

That petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said John Williams and Rachel Moss... to-wit:—

That the Post-office address is Elyton, Ala. That the is one-fourth Cherokee blood.. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his mother the late Polly Williams, nee Casway who was the daughter of the late Rachel Casway nee Moss, who was a Cherokee Indian Indian woman and recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and the father of this petitioner was Edward Williams, who was the son of the late John Williams, who was a also a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

..... That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and a member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in the Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and annuities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner... persons, as follows, to-wit:—

NAME.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
James A	18	
Mizzie	7	
Ada J.	5	
Ernest	4	
Evan	3	
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Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that.....name, with those of.....

.....said descendants, to-wit:.....

and.....be enrolled and admitted to all rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other.....Indians, in and to the.....Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Attorneys for Petitioners.

The afore named petitioner.....says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge, information and belief.

Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this.....day of.....1896

Notary Public.

Application of

No.....

FOR.....

Enrollment In.....Nation.

Filed on the.....day of.....1896

Sec. U.S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes

Attorney for Petitioner.



No.....

**Application of**

..... Et Al.

—FOR—

Enrollment in..... Nation.

Filed on the..... day of..... 189...

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

GALLISON STAR PRINT.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF.....**James M. Williams**.....  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE.....**Cherokee**.....NATION.  
STATE OF **Indian Territory**  
COUNTY OF **Northern Dist.**

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally appeared...**Mary J. Seegins**...who, being by me duly sworn states:  
That she is...**53**...years of age, a resident of the State of **Cherokee Nation** and County **Sequoyah Dist.** and that she is personally acquainted with **James M. Williams** who is an applicant for citizenship in the.....**Cherokee**.....Nation. Affiant further states  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said **James M. Williams** is affiant's brother. That he is one-fourth Cherokee blood. That he is the son of the late **Edward Williams** and **Polly Williams**, whose maiden name was **Castaway**, and who was the daughter of the late **Rachel Castaway nee Moe**, who was a full blood Cherokee Indian, as this affiant has been informed, and verily believes, and a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians in the old Cherokee Nation, State of **E. C.** That the said **Edward Williams** was the son of the late **John Williams**, who was a recognized Cherokee Indian, in the old Cherokee Nation east.

Affiant knows that the said **James M. Williams** is the identical person that he represents himself to be in his application for Cherokee citizenship; and that he is rightfully and justly entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of his Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That she has known the said **James M. Williams** for the past.....years, and knows that.....has been and is recognized by.....acquaintances and the public generally as having.....Indian blood and that the complexion and physical appearance of the said **James M. Williams** indicate that.....**Cherokee**.....Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said **James M. Williams** he believes the said **James M. Williams** to be a descendant by blood of the.....**Cherokee**.....Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....**4**.....day of.....**March**.....**1884**  
*M. J. Seegins*  
**M. J. Seegins**  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires.....**Feb 1885**

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Nation's No. 2756  
Commission's No

In re Application of

James M. Williams  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 18 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Githens, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*James N. Williams*  
*et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *8756*

Commission's No.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs to the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*James Williams*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harding Hutchings & Bessie* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, attests that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*25* day of *Sept* 188*8*  
*D. J. Bell*

**End**

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- Affidavit of  
Charles K. Fairman

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Harriett M. Campbell

FILED SEPT. 7. 1877  
A. S. McKENNEY  
COM. R.

FILED SEPT. 7. 1877  
A. S. McKENNEY  
COM. R.

Respect  
Joseph H. Miller  
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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Garrett M. Carpenter and of the affidavits of Charles C. Frazier John Ross Vester Mullen in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896.

Mr. A. L. Latta  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes of Indians:  
Harriet B. Gamble

Harriett M. Campbell  
VS.  
Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Et. Al.  
PETITIONER,  
RESPONDENT.

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Harriett M. Campbell states that Elisabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in the old Cherokee Nation in N. C. and Tenn. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elisabeth Christie or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1834. That the petition is a lineal descendant of the said Elisabeth Christie to-wit

Ans. That the first child named in your petition is W. M. Moore, one-sixths white and five-sixths Cherokee, and is the son of Jane and James P. Atkins. That she is the daughter of Philip the late Harvey P. Atkins and Lodovick Atkins. That the said James P. Atkins was the father of the late Chadwick and Harriet P. Atkins, and that the said Harriet P. Atkins was the daughter of the late John Atkins and Elizabeth Atkins, that the said James P. Atkins was born on Cherokee, and was born in Marion County Tenn. in 1780, in Knox Co. Tenn., and died in Marion County, Tenn., in the year of 1840. That the said Elizabeth Atkins was lived in the old Cherokee Nation in Tenn. and N. C., and who spoke the Cherokee Indian language; and was a full-blood Cherokee Indian, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe. That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioners

Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ Indians by blood.

Deborah H. Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ three \_\_\_\_\_ persons, as follows, to-wit:

Don L. \_\_\_\_\_, a daughter \_\_\_\_\_, and 20 \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

Grace W. \_\_\_\_\_, a son \_\_\_\_\_, and 19 \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

\_\_\_\_\_, a daughter \_\_\_\_\_, and 19 \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

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\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that \_\_\_\_\_ her \_\_\_\_\_ name, with those of



her said descendants to-wit: Deborah H. H., Thos. L. and Grace Campbell

and herself be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever pray, etc.

J. P. Mullins & M. M. Martin

Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, Harnett M. Campbell says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11 day of August 1896.

Harnett M. Campbell Petitioner.

Comm. Exp. Nov. 11, 1899

Notary Public.

APPLICATION OF	FOR	Enrollment in	Filed on the	day of	189	Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.	Attorney for Petitioner.	CAPITAL PRINT, South McAlester.
No.								

VERIFICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

APPLICATION OF

El. Al.,

Nation

day of 189

San U. S. Com: Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

Charles F. King, South McAlester.



# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Harriett M. Campbell  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION  
STATE OF Indian Territory  
COUNTY OF Northern

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County of Northern and State of Indian Territory, personally appeared Harriett M. Campbell, who, being by me duly sworn, deposes and says:

That she is 38 years of age, a resident of the State of Indian Territory and County of Northern, and that she is personally acquainted with Harriett M. Campbell, who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

(Have set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and connections in this space.)

That the said Harriett M. Campbell is an individual of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she is the daughter of James M. and Mary E. Palmer. That the said James M. Palmer was the son of the late Harvey E. and Anthony Palmer. That the said Anthony Palmer was the daughter of the late Hannah E. Allard, whose maiden name was Palmer; that affiant remembers the said Hannah E. Allard, and he knows that her personal appearance indicated that she was of Cherokee blood; and that she was on her way to the Cherokee Nation, when she died. That the said Hannah E. Allard was born in Knox county, Tenn., in the year of 1840, and she died in the year of 1840 in Knox county. That she lived in the old Cherokee Nation, that she spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

Affiant further states that he knows that the said Harriett Campbell is the identical person that she represents herself to be in her application for Cherokee citizenship; and that she is a direct lineal descendant of the late Elizabeth Palmer nee Allard, and that she and her descendants are rightfully entitled to the rights of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of her Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Harriett M. Campbell for the past 38 years, and knows that she has been well known in the acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee complexion and physical appearance of the said Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further states that he has known the said Harriett M. Campbell in the circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Harriett M. Campbell, he believes the said Harriett M. Campbell to be a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Aug 1888  
B. B. Brown  
Notary Public



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Harriett M. Campbell,  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee Nation

STATE OF Indian Territory

COUNTY OF Northern Div.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Personally  
appeared John Ross who, being by me duly sworn, states:  
That he is 75 years of age, a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County  
of Indian Territory that he is personally acquainted with  
who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and connection with the Cherokee Nation)

Affiant says that he was chief of the Cherokee in the old  
Cherokee Nation in North Carolina; and that this position afforded him  
great opportunity of becoming acquainted with all of the Cherokee  
in that section of the country. That among those whom his affiant  
knew and was personally acquainted was Elizabeth Christian. Affiant  
further states that he knows full well that the said Elizabeth Chris-  
tian was a full blood Cherokee Indian woman; that she resided in North  
Carolina and Tenn; that she spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and  
that she was a recognized citizen and member of the Cherokee Nation of  
Indians, and of the Cherokee Nation.

Affiant further states that from what he has heard and known  
of the family of the said Harriett M. Campbell this affiant has every  
reason to believe and does believe that the said Harriett M. Camp-  
bell and her descendants are rightfully and justly entitled to the  
rights of citizenship, the same as other Cherokees by blood, in the  
Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory, by virtue of their Cherokee  
blood.

Affiant further states: That he knows the said  
the past years and knows that she was born and reared by  
acquaintances and the public generally as having  
plexion and physical appearance of the said Cherokee  
Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and  
circumstances, and from what he has heard and known of the family of the said Harriett  
M. Campbell he believes the said Harriett M. Campbell to be a descendant by blood  
of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this

My commission expires Feb 1899

**End**





My 3084 388,  
John A. Harman

Charles

FILED SEPT. 7 1896. ☆  
A. S. McKENNON  
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Rejected

Joseph A. Harman  
[Signature]

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Mueller do solemnly swear that on the 6  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received  
from postmaster. Hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
John A. Sartin of the  
affidavits of Vester Mueller and  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

John A. Sartin  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the five Civilized Tribes of Indians

John A. Fairman  
VS.  
Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Et. Al.  
PETITIONER,  
RESPONDENT

APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

RESPONDENT. )  
TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION.

Your petitioner John A. Fairman states that Elizabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in The old Cherokee Nation, N.C. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elizabeth Christie appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1833. That the petitioner is a United States Citizen.

That the petitioner is a final dependant of the said Elisabeth Christie to-wit: That the post office address of your petitioner is Fort Scott, Kansas, and that he is a mixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one sixteenth Cherokee blood, and that he is the son of Phoebe Jane and James M. Fairman, and the said James M. Fairman was the son of the late Harvey W. Fairman and Lodachi Fairman, and the late Lodachi Fairman was the daughter of the late Eldrick, and Hannah P. Allard, and the said Hannah P. Allard was the daughter of the late John Putnam and Elisabeth Putnam, and that the maiden name of the said Elisabeth Putnam was Elisabeth Christie, and said Elisabeth Christie was born in Knox County, Tenn., in 1876, and died in said County, in 1880. Said Elisabeth Christie lived in the old Cherokee Nation in Tenn. and North Carolina, and spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there were now living legal descendants of your said petitioner two persons persons, as follows, to-wit:

Esther A. Fairman, \_\_\_\_\_, a son \_\_\_\_\_, and eleven \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

Eva P. Fairman \_\_\_\_\_

**Bert A. Fairman,**, a son, and eleven years of age  
**Eva P. Fairman,**, a daughter, and seven years of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that \_\_\_\_\_ years of age \_\_\_\_\_ name, with those of \_\_\_\_\_



...said decedents, to-wit: John A. Fairman.

...immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever pray, etc.

J. P. Muller & H. W. Masters  
Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, John A. Fairman

says that the statements

best knowledge information and belief

John Adams Fairman Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21 day of August, 1896.

Com. J. H. Kien 11, 1899

Notary Public.

APPLICATION OF	John A. Fairman	Cherokee Nation
Enrollment in	Cherokee	
Filed on the	21	day of August, 1896
Sec. U. S. Com. Five Cr. Tolson		
Attorney for Petitioner	J. P. Muller & H. W. Masters	

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

No. ....

APPLICATION OF  
*John A. Friedman* Et. AL.

FOR

Enrollment in *Cherokee* Nation

Filed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribe

Attorney for Petitioner

Application for Enrollment

Before the Honorable, THE DAWES COMMISSION, duly appointed and authorized to hear and determine applications for citizenship in the Indian Territory.

In re-application of John A. Fairman for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

Your petitioner, John A. Fairman, being duly sworn, represents that he is a Cherokee Indian by blood and entitled to the rights, privileges and benefits of Indians of the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That James Madison Fairman, petitioner's Grandfather, whose name, petitioner believes, appears on the Cherokee Roll, regularly made and adopted in the year 1826, was a Cherokee Indian by blood, through whom petitioner claims his rights to Citizenship in said Nation, together with the rights of his children. The names, ages and sexes of said children are as follows:

NAME	AGE	SEX
Bert A. Fairman,	11 years	Male
Eva P. Fairman,	7 "	Female

Applicant here refers to the evidence on file before the Honorable the Commission, in the John A. Fairman case and prays that the same be considered herewith.

That neither your petitioner nor anyone else, at any time, has resided in the old Cherokee country or upon any neutral Indian lands.

That petitioner is 36 years of age, and resides at Fort Scott, Kansas.

Your petitioner further states that he has never, to his knowledge, violated any of the laws or treaties governing the rights of Cherokee Indians or those obtaining rights as such, and that his name not appearing on the rolls of said Indians is no fault of petitioner.

Your petitioner herewith submits the evidence he deems considered and prays that on the final hearing in the premises, his name and that of his children be placed on the roll to be prepared, and applicant's rights, with those of his said children, be determined according to the laws and treaties governing.

John A. Fairman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of August, 1906.

My commission expires March 11, 1907. Notary Public.



**End**



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~~Wm. H. Jones~~  
Amos D. Fairman  
Chas. H. Jones

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Joseph H. Miller  
H. H. Miller



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Nation's No. 2761

Commission's No

In re Application of

Orms A. Thomas  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 8 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Amos A. Fairman*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2761*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Elizabeth Christie*  
through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hutchings & Brinson* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*J. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

Amos A. Fairman Et. Al. PETITIONER, VS. Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, RESPONDENT. APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Amos A. Fairman states that Elisabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in The Old Cherokee Nation, N.C. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elisabeth Christie appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1835

That the petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Elisabeth Christie

That the post office address of your petitioner is Fulton, Kansas, and he is a mixture of white and Cherokee Indian, and is at least one sixteenth Cherokee blood. That he is a son of Amos D. Fairman, and Amos D. Fairman was a son of the late Harvey W. Fairman and Lodoski Fairman, and the late Lodoski Fairman was a daughter of the late Shadrick and Hannah P. Allard and the said Hannah P. Allard was the daughter of the late John Putnam and Elisabeth Putnam, and that the maiden name of the said Elisabeth Putnam was Elisabeth Christie, and that she was born in Knox County, Tenn. in 1776, and died in said Knox County, Tenn. in 1840. That said Elisabeth Christie lived in The Old Cherokee Nation in Tennessee and North Carolina, and spoke the Cherokee language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian, and was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

That under the constitution laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner three persons, as follows, to-wit: Amos Andrew Fairman, a son, and seventeen years of age Addie Alline Fairman, a daughter, and fourteen years of age Alma Amanda Fairman, a daughter, and five months five days of age

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that his name, with those of



his said descendants, to-wit: Anna Andrew Fairman, Alvin  
Alvin Fairman  
and Anna Amanda Fairman be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and  
immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, and your  
petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever  
pray, etc.

J. P. Mullin & W. H. Martin  
Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, Anna A. Fairman says that the statements  
set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Anna A. Fairman Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25 day of September 1896.

Com. before Me. 11 Notary Public.

No. ....	APPLICATION OF <u>Anna A. Fairman</u> Et. Al.	FOR	Enrollment in <u>Cherokee</u> Nation	Filed on the _____ day of _____ 189 <u>6</u>	Sec. U. S. Com Five Civ. Tribes.	Attorney for Petitioner.

No. ....

APPLICATION OF

*Amos A. Birman* Et. Al.,

FOR

Enrollment in *Cherokee* Nation

Filed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Miller do solemnly swear that on the 26  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Edward A. ... and of the  
affidavits of Vester Miller  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 26 day of September, 1896.

Mr. A. ...

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.



**End**



No 3034  
IN THE MATTER OF

Martin F. Fells

Petition and Memorial  
FOR  
CITIZENSHIP  
In the Cherokee Nation, I. T.

FILED SEPT. 7. 1896. \*

A. S. McKennon

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Rejected

Joseph Mullen  
Atty



# Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Muller do solemnly swear that on the 6th day of September, 1898, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 373 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Martin Fields and of the affidavits of John Ross, Martin Fields, and Ellen Rattley in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1898.

Noted  
Cons. Delegation

Wm. B. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

TO HON. HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARTHUR L. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CARAWAY and ALEXANDER E. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by act of Congress of June 10th, 1896, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned, your petitioner, for and in behalf of his children and the Cherokee Indians, this day makes application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised rolls of the Cherokee Nation, and of those allowed to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of lands in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. And grounds upon which claim is based are as follows, to-wit:

That his name is Martin Fields; that he is 52 years of age; that his post-office address is Gallisaw, I. T. That he is an admirer of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his father, the late George Fields, who was born, lived and died in the old Cherokee Nation, now the State of Georgia, and who spoke the Cherokee Indian language and was a Cherokee by blood, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

That petitioner intermarried with Cynthia Ann Geins, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living the, herein below mentioned children. That said children are Cherokee by blood.

And in support of said claim, your petitioner herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence, namely: Affidavits of himself, Geo. V. Vann, Polly Geins,

and others.

and respectfully awaits the time and place when my application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Fields  
Applicant.

NAMES	AGES	RELATIONSHIP
Martin Fields	52	Father
Tennessee Moore Geo Fields	34	Daughter
Sarah Jane Moore Geo Fields	32	
Cynthia Ann Geins	28	Daughter

Indian Territory,  
Notary District.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the Notary District of Indian Territory, Notary Geo. V. Vann, and afforementioned Martin Fields being duly sworn, states that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true as he verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Aug, 1896.

My commission expires on the 14 day of Feb, 1897.

Notary Public.



Jas Goins &  
Casiana Goins

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Cherokee Nation

Application for Citizenship ~~Form~~  
The Commission on Citizenship.

**Nelly Hair Witness for claimants.**

Witness for claimant Nelly Hair-

I live on the Illinois river in Illinois District - I moved from  
above Piquah to my present home- lived here in the Cherokee Nation  
ever since we all came here- I come in Jess Bushyhead detachment  
Lived in the old Cherokee Nation before I came here, Lived at Long  
Savannah near Tennessee river, at time of migration- I am a Cherokee  
my right was never disputed- Always lived in the Cherokee Nation.  
My mothers maiden name was Lizzie Ratley-Gee Fields was my aunts son  
I know Gee Fields- <sup>maiden</sup> Gee Fields Mothers name was Polly Ratley.  
Polly and Lizzie Ratley were own sisters- John Mc Gee was my father  
he was a white man - My Cherokee name is

he was a white man - My Cherokee blood is on my mother's side -  
Gee Feilds lived near Blue Springs in old nation, had a family  
Jas Goins wife's maiden name was Casiana Feilds Pelly Feilds was  
their Nathan Goins wife's maiden name - Gee Feilds was their father  
Knew Gee Feilds ever since I could recollect - I lived in the same  
neighborhood with Gee Feilds until I left there, Gee Feilds was a  
Cherokee - The said Pelly & Casiana are living in the country now.  
My husband's name is Jim Hair -

## Cross Examined.

Gee Feilds was living in Old Nation when I left there.  
George Feilds came out here same time I did, & he came by water & came  
by land I expect it was about 1838 or 9 when I came here. Gee Feilds  
did not bring his family with him Gee Feilds had five or six  
~~xxxxxx~~ children. Do not remember the ~~family~~ names of his ~~family~~ children  
Did not know the names of Pelly and Caslania in old Nation - end

**say that there**



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Cant say say that these are the ones, Pelly & Casiana- I have  
known them five or six years here-

Sworn in open court April 2nd 78

D. L. Nicholson

Clerk Com n

<sup>GR</sup>  
Nelly <sup>hair</sup> X Hair  
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT CHEROKEE NATION.

Tahlequah, Indian Territory.

August 28th 1896.

I, William M. Calager, Assistant Executive Sec'y certify that the  
within 144 Page is true and correct copy on the original now  
on file in this Department.

*William M. Calager*

(D)  
James Goins &

Casiana Goins

Vs

Cherokee Nation

Application for Citizenship before  
the Commission on Citizenship

Ellen Ratley, Witness for claimants,-

Sworn and examined -

I live on Illinois river in Illinois district - I have never  
tried to prove my rights- I am part Cherokee - Came to this country  
with Emigrants in mr John Ross Detachment, That was at the time  
of the General emigration of the Cherekees west. Before I Emigrated  
lived on Tenn river, just below the place called the Blue Spring  
in the old " Cherokee Nation"

Old man by the name of Pathkiller lived at the Blue Spring  
Had lived there all the time until I emigrated, I know Gee Feilds  
his father was name Dempsey Feilds His mother was called Pelly

Ratley and was her husband I a Witness , husband allen Ratleys  
father was a white man- Allen Ratley was uncle to Gee Feilds- Never  
and dispute about Allen Ratley being A Cherokee- Gee Feilds was a  
Cherokee- Gee Feilds lived in my neighborhood and in " Old Nation"

Lived two & half miles- Gee Feilds had a family - I was well acquaint  
ted with said family . The maiden names of the wives of James &  
Nathan Goins, are Pelly & Casiana Feilds,

They are full sisters- They were his Children- I know them in  
"old Nation " Gee Feilds lived in the Cherokee Nation all the time I  
know him

I have seen Gee Feilds in this country- I saw him in the country  
about three years after the emigration- He stopped at my (WITNESS)  
house, he came out to get some money- said money was due him.



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as he said , for improvements in the old "Nation", he lived only four days after he returned home-

Cross Examined

Do not remember the year- I emigrated , perhaps in 38 or 39- I was married at that time- My maiden name was Ellen Goins- I am a little related to Jas Goins & Nathan Goins-

Sworn in open Court

Attest D. L. Nickelson

Clk Comm

mark  
Ellen x Ratley  
mark

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT CHEROKEE NATION.

Tahlequah. Indian Territory.

August 28th 1896.

I, William M. Culager, Assistant Executive Sec'y certify that the  
within Mr Page is true and correct copy on the original now  
on file in this Department.

*William M. Culager*

Polly Goins  
Capaluma Goins

U.S.  
Polly Goins 2

Cherokee Nation

Application for Citizenship, May 14th 1878.

Mrs Nellie Reese witness for Deft was sworn and examined.

I came to this country in the year 1838,

Cherokee Nation

I lived in Tenn previous to coming here.

I was acquainted with some of the Feilds; family in the "Old Nation"

Witness mother was a Feilds, My mothers fathers name was Dick or  
Richard, He had no brothers, my mothers brothers were Dick and George

My mothers father was said in the family to have had a son whose  
name was Dempsey he was a half brother to my mother and uncles  
George and Dick and was a Whitman, so reputed in the Feilds  
Family/ I was born in 1801 I am 77 years old.

Her  
Nellie Reese  
mark

Att est; D. L. Nielsen

Clk &c



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT CHEROKEE NATION.

Tahlequah, Indian Territory.

August 23th 1896.

I, William M. Galager, Assistant Executive Sec'y certify that the  
within, Page is <sup>a</sup> true and correct copy on the original now  
on file in this Department.

William M. Galager

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF

FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE

STATE OF  
Indian Territory }  
COUNTY OF }  
Northern Div.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Indian Territory, personally appeared

That he is years of age, and a resident of the State of Indian Territory

and that he is personally acquainted with who is an applicant for citizenship in the State of Indian Territory

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and connections)

Affiant says that he is acquainted with Martin Fields and Polly Fields nee Goins nee Fields, and from their personal appearance and complexion affiant believes that they are at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. Affiant was acquainted with George Fields in North Carolina, the old Cherokee Nation, and knew him to be a Cherokee Indian, and a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and that he moved from North Carolina to some place distant. Affiant further states that the said Geo. Fields had some children but he was not acquainted with any of them. Affiant further states that he has conversed with the said Martin Fields and he believes that they are the real descendants of the said George Fields.

Affiant further states that he was a chief among the Cherokee for eight years in the old Cherokee Nation in North Carolina, and affiant had a great opportunity of becoming acquainted with a large number of Cherokees, and among them the said Geo. Fields.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said for the past years, and knows that he has been and is now a acquaintance, and the public generally as having complexion and physical appearance of the said is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further states that he believes the said Martin Fields of the Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of May 1885  
Attest my hand and seal  
Notary Public  
My Commission expires 1st of May 1885  
Geo. D. Standfield

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Martin Fields

FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Territory SS.  
COUNTY OF Northern Div.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Personally appeared Martin Fields who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That he is 33 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County Sequoyah Dist. and that he is personally acquainted with Geo. Fields who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:

(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That he is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That he derives his Cherokee blood from his father, the late Geo. Fields. Affiant has been taught and verily believes, by his relatives and by others who know the said Geo. Fields during his life-time that his complexion, physical appearance, etc. indicated that he was a of Cherokee blood, and that he was born in the old Cherokee Nation, now the State of Tenn., and that he spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Affiant further states that the said Geo. Fields died when affiant was but two years of age, and left surviving him eight children four of whom are now alive, and his wife, Cynthia Gaudle Gains. That affiant well remembers of his mother drawing quantities for herself and children, from the government, as a Cherokee Indian.

That affiant has been taught from his earliest infancy that he is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood, and is a direct lineal descendant of the said Geo. Fields, a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

Affiant further states: That he knows that he has been and is recognized by his neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of himself indicate that he is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Geo. Fields he believes himself to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Martin Fields

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Aug 1896

B. B. Brewer

My Commission expires July 1899



# AFFIDAVIT.

*Martin Fiebo*

vs.  
CHEROKEE NATION.

Nation's No. *2767*

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned

the reputation of *J. W. Vann (col)* who being sworn states that *he knows*  
for truth and veracity in the neighborhood where *he* resides; that it is bad; that *he is*  
known as "Standing Witnesses" in Citizenship cases; and that affiant *he is* would not believe them under  
oath.

*J. H. Adams*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *24*  
day of *Sept*, 1896.  
*D. J. Ball*

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF  
CHEROKEE NATION.

I, John L. Adair, Executive Secretary of the Cherokee Nation, do hereby certify that  
I have compared the foregoing with the original record in this Department, and that the  
same are correct transcripts and copies therefrom.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the Great Seal of said Cherokee Nation, at Tablequah, this, the  
30th day of Sept. 1896.

John L. Adair

Executive Secretary.

Martin Fields.

Office Commission on Citizenship,  
Tahlequah, C.N., June 28th, 1887.

Docket.	No.	Names.	Age.	Sex.	Post Office.	Atty.
	1	Martin Fields	42	Male	Vian, I.T.	
	2	Sarah J. Fields	15	Female		A. E. Ivey
	3	James Riley Fields	13	Male		
	4	Julia A. Fields	10	Female		
					Applicant for Cherokee Citizenship Rolls of 1835 to 1852	
		V.S.				
		Cherokee Nation			Ancestor	
		Filed June 28, 1887			George Fields	

Now on this the 26 day of August 1887, comes the above case for final hearing, and having made application pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the National Council approved December 8th 1887, and all the evidence having been duly considered, and from the evidence given by applicants witnesses it is clearly proven that Ancestor George Fields, the Ancestor and his descendant are not Cherokees by blood. Therefore the Commission unanimously agree and decide that the applicants, Martin Fields, Sarah J. Fields, James Riley Fields, Julia A. Fields are not Cherokees by blood and are not entitled to any rights or privileges of Cherokee Citizens.

Henry Eiffert,  
Clerk Com.

J. T. Adair, Chairman Commission  
D. W. Lipe Commissioner,  
Commissioner.



4 Witness. Judge John T. Adair's statement.

I reside in Going Snake District Cherokee Nation.  
I am 74 years of age. I think that the Blue Springs in the old Cherokee Nation, is what is now Tennessee. I was acquainted with a good many of the Fieldses and herd of others. I knew old George Fields. He was a half brother of Judge Martin. George Fields had a brother named Tom Fields. I knew two of George Fields sons, one of them was named Dick and the other Rider Fields, and I remember another named Arch Fields. Old George Fields mother and Judge Martins mother was the same woman. Arch Fields had a son named George, he was killed in Sequoyah District on Gunters Prairie, this Nation. Old George Fields came to this country with the emigration and died in Saline District. Old George Fields lived near Gunters Landing in the old Cherokee Nation, now the State of Alabama. This is the only family of Fields I have any recollection of in the old Nation. I was acquainted with Dempsey Fields, a son of old Dick Fields. Old Dick Fields went to Texas in a very early day. Dempsey Fields I think was raised mostly in Texas, and came to this country some time after the emigration and died in Canadian District, this Nation.

X Examination.

There might have been other Fields' in the Old Nation that I did not know. I was not acquainted with Willis Fields.

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Nation's No. 2767  
Commission's No.  
In re Application of

*Marlin Fields et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**  
FILED *Oct 2* 1896. ✱  
A. S. MCKENNON  
Clerk

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Martin Fields*

Nation's No. *2767-*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *can* be entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *George Fields*

through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Respondent, for a further and complete defense to the aforesaid Application says: That, heretofore said applicant made application before a legally constituted Court, or Commission on citizenship, having jurisdiction over applications for re-admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation; That the said case was tried upon its merits; that upon a final hearing, judgment was duly given against the applicant and in favor of this Nation. A duly certified transcript of the aforesaid proceedings and judgment are annexed hereto and made a part of this answer.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Hauling & Band* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *20* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Bull*



**End**

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No 3054  
IN THE MATTER OF

*Jennison Moore*

Petition and Memorial

FOR

CITIZENSHIP

In the *Cherokee* Nation, I.T.

FILED SEPT 7 '96  
A. S. L. L. L. L.

— C. I. T. —

*9/95*  
*Rejected*

*Joseph R. Muller*  
*Att*



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Nathan Mullin  
day of September, 1898, I saw a package registered at the Post Office  
Arkansas addressed to Samuel Mayo  
Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Indians  
that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from Samuel Mayo  
contained true copies of the application of Samuel Mayo  
affidavits of Martin Fields  
in support of same.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6 day of September,  
1898 at Arkansas Indian  
My Com. expires March 14, 1900

# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

TO HON. HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMISTEAD, ALBION C. HARRIS, THOMAS E. CARANISH and ALEXANDER E. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners appointed by act of Congress of June 10th, 1906, to hear and determine claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation: Gentlemen:—

The undersigned, your petitioner, for and in behalf of herself and her children, this day makes application to you for the benefit of the act of June 10th, 1906, passed on the revival bill of the Cherokee Indians, and of those allowed to share in the distribution of lands and allotments of land in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. And petitions upon which you are to be heard and to act, to-wit:

That her name is Tennessee Moore; that her maiden name is Fields; that she is 26 years of age; that her post-office address is Vian, Cherokee Nation, I. T. That she is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her father, Martin Fields, who is a Cherokee by blood, and is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood, and is the son of the late Geo. Fields, who lived in the old Cherokee Nation, now the state of Tenn., and who spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and who was a Cherokee by blood, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

That petitioner intermarried with Robert Moore, and by said intermarriage there were born, and are now living, the children below mentioned children. That said children are of Cherokee blood.

And in support of said claim, your petitioner herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and sworn evidence, namely:

Affidavits of herself and Martin Fields.

and respectfully awaits the time and place when my application shall be heard and acted. Respectfully submitted,

NAMES.	AGES.	RELATIONSHIP.
Tennessee Moore	26	Mother and wife.
Rose	7	Daughter
Linner	5	son
Albert	4	son
Emory	3	son

Indian Territory.

..... District.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama, Tennessee Moore, who being duly sworn, states that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true and truly believe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 19 day of July, 1907.

My commission expires on the 12 day of Oct, 1907.



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Tennessee Moore  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Ind. Ter. } ss.  
COUNTY OF Northern Div. }

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Personally appeared Martin Fields who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That he is 33 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County of Sequoyah Dist. and that he is personally acquainted with Tennessee Moore who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That the said Tennessee Moore is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her affiant, who is her father, and who is an admixture of white and Cherokee blood, and who is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That the said Martin Fields (affiant) derives his Cherokee blood from his father, the late Gee. Fields, who lived in the old Cherokee country, now the Cherokee Nation, and who spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and who was a Cherokee by blood, and was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

Affiant further states that the said Tennessee Moore intermarried with Robert Moore, and by such intermarriage the children mentioned in her application were born. That said children are of Cherokee blood.

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Tennessee Moore for the past 30 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Tennessee Moore he believes the said Tennessee Moore to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of Aug. 1896

My Commission expires Jan 18 99

Martin Fields  
Notary Public



## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION AND MEMORIAL OF Tennessee Moore  
FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE Cherokee NATION.

STATE OF Indian Ter. } ss.  
COUNTY OF Northern Div. }

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Personally appeared Tennessee Moore who, after being by me duly sworn, states: That she is 25 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation and County of Sequoyah Dist. and that she is personally acquainted with Geo. Fields who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

That she is an admixture of white and Cherokee, and is at least one-eighth Cherokee blood. That she derives her Cherokee blood from her father, Martin Fields, with whom affiant has been raised, and affiant knows that the complexion and physical appearance of the said Martin Fields indicate that he is at least one-fourth Cherokee blood. That the said Martin Fields is the son of the late Geo. Fields. Affiant has been taught by her relatives and by those who knew the said Geo. Fields during his life-time that his complexion, and physical appearance indicated that he was at least one-half blood Cherokee Indian that he was a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians.

That affiant intermarried with Robert Moore, and by such intermarriage there were born, and are now living, the children mentioned in affiant's application. That said children are of Cherokee Indian blood.

Affiant further states: That she ~~has been and is recognized by her neighbors, acquaintances and the public generally as having~~ Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical appearance of she is of Cherokee Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what he has heard and knows of the family of the said Geo. Fields, he believes himself to be a descendant by blood of the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of August 1896.

A. H. Staley  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires My Commission expires  
Oct. 7, 1898.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF  
CHEROKEE NATION.

I, John L. Adair, Executive Secretary of the Cherokee Nation, do hereby certify that  
I have compared the foregoing with the original record in this Department, and that the  
same are correct transcripts and copies therefrom.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the Great Seal of said Cherokee Nation, at Tahlequah, this, the  
30th day of Sept. 1896.

*John L. Adair*  
Executive Secretary

Tennessee Moore.

Office Commission on Citizenship,  
Tahlequah, C.H. June 28th, 1887.

Docket.	No.	Names.	Age.	Sex.	Post Office.	Atty.
	1	Tennessee Moore	1	Female	Vian, I.F.	
						A.E. Ivey
					Appliaction for	
					Cherokee	
					Citizenship	
		V. S.			Rolls of 1835	
					to 1852	
		Cherokee Nation			Ancestor	
		Filed June 28, 1887			George Fields	

Now on this the 9th day of Nov., 1887, comes the above case for a final hearing. And submitted by agreement between the Attorney for Plaintiff and the atty on the part of the Nation, on the evidence taken and submitted in the case of Tennessee Moore, We the Commission on Citizenship after a careful and inpartial investigation of the testimony, and having also examined the Census Rolls of 1835 to 1852 and failed to find the name of the Ancestor and the evidence in bahalf of the applicant not being sufficient, The Commission therefore declare that the above named parties are not Cherokees by blood and not entitled to any rights or privileges of Cherokee Citizens.

J. T. Adair, Chairman Com.

John E. Gunter, Commissioner.



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*James M. Tal*

Nation's No. *2766*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *James* is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *George Fields*

through whom the petitioner *James* claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory.

Respondent for a further and complete defense to the aforesaid Application says: That heretofore said applicant made application before a legally constituted Court or Commission on citizenship, having jurisdiction over applications for re-admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation; That the said case was tried upon its merits; that upon a full and final hearing judgment was duly given against the applicant and in favor of this Nation. A duly certified transcript of the aforesaid proceedings and judgment are annexed hereto and made a part of this answer.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings* *Hutchings* *Hutchings* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *30* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. L. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Nation's No. 2769

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*James M. ...*  
*et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED *Oct 12* 1896 ☆

A. S. McKENNON

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**End**





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Nation's No. 2349

Commission No

In re Application of

John Gully et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*John Gulep et al*

Nation's No. *2849*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Peter Ant*

through whom the petitioner claim to derive *the* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, or citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Shuldups, Harting & Bondart* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.  
Attorneys.  
John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *15* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. F. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



Names	Date of birth	Relationship
Addie Cordelia Dettys	Oct. 18. 1859.	Daughter of Gabriel C. Henry
Thomas Robert Dettys	Oct. 20. 1892.	Grand-Son "
John Dettys, Jr.	Sept. 18. 1894.	Grand-Son "
Mamie A. Hillmanville	June 4. 1862.	Daughter "
Nicholas John Hillmanville	Dec. 13. 1881.	Grand-Son "
Louis Henry Hillmanville	Oct. 14. 1883.	Grand-Son "
Bessie Beatrice Hillmanville	Sept. 15. 1889.	Grand-Daughter "
Charles Emory Hillmanville	Mar. 30. 1892.	Grand-Son "
Susan Matilda Farmer	June 4. 1868.	Daughter "
Mary Myrtle Farmer	June 10. 1886.	Grand-Daughter "
Ruth Ethel Farmer	Aug. 7. 1891.	Grand-Daughter "
Jeffrey Elmer Farmer	Nov. 11. 1894.	Grand-Son "
Francis Lou Goldsman	Nov. 15. 1874.	Daughter "
Mary Oliver Goldsman	Nov. 15. 1894.	Grand-Daughter "
Lois Virginia Goldsman	Mar. 5. 1896.	Grand-Daughter "
J. S. Henry	Aug. 14. 1866.	Son "
Lerlie Maud Henry	June 11. 1889.	Grand-Daughter "
Willie Opal Henry	Nov. 15. 1891.	Grand-Daughter "
Gabriel Canada Henry	Dec. 14. 1894.	Grand-Son "
W. T. Henry	Jan. 14. 1876.	Son "

We the undersigned do solemnly swear that  
The above named persons are the children and grand-  
children of Gabriel C. Henry who died in Muldrow,  
Cherokee Nation, Ind. Terr. March 12<sup>th</sup> 1894.

John Dettys  
G. V. Farmer

M. J. Henry - Widow of Gabriel C. Henry.





State of Indian Ter  
Cherokee Note

Personally appeared on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1896. before me a Notary Public duly authorized to administer oaths E. M. B. Meadows aged 64 years, whose Post-Office address is Muldrow, Cherokee Nation Indian Territory, who being duly sworn deposes and says - I first became acquainted with William Hart - the grand-father of the deceased Gabriel C. Henry about - forty six years ago at a public execution at - Van Buren Arkansas. William Hart was a cattle buyer and a Cherokee Indian from Tennessee and my recollection is that he was from Hawkins Co. Judging from his copper color and from his general appearance I know that he was a Cherokee Indian of at least one half blood and was so considered by all who knew him. He was a very thorough going, solid old man and popularly known as "Billy Hart" or "Uncle Billy". About - three years ago I had a conversation with Gabriel C. Henry in Muldrow some four or five times before he died, and we talked about - the citizenship question, and



about him being entitled to a right  
here in the Cherokee Nation and  
from his description of his grand-  
father I know that the aforementioned  
Hart was the grand father  
of Gabriel C. Henry.

The foregoing statement is made of my  
own accord and not dictated by anyone  
whomever, and I am not interested or  
concerned in the claim for citizenship  
of the heirs of Gabriel C. Henry.

Sworn to before me this 18th day of Aug. 1896, Signed,

My Comm. expires

June 27, 1900

G. W. Meadows

J. H. Bowers

Notary Public

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at *Middletown, Conn.*

Registered Letter No. *41* Rec'd *Sept 7* 189*6*

of *John G. Gage*

addressed to *Rev. J. M. May*  
*Wheatfield*  
*Conn.*

P. M.

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Laramie Territory  
Charles Nelson

Mulden, Sept. 7th 1896.

I Jas. Stephens do solemnly swear that on  
the 7th day of September 1896. I saw a package  
deposited at the post-office at Mulden, D.T.  
intended to be sent to Hon. S. H. Mayer, Principal Chief of  
Cheyenne Nation, Ind. Ter., that - register receipt  
No. 44 received from postmaster, hereto attached,  
is a receipt for said package, which contained  
true copies of the Application of The Heirs  
of Daniel C. Henry their and of the affidavits  
of Annie C. Cook, Susan Maister Farmer,  
John and Lou Cookman and J. D. Henry in  
support of same, and Letter from Larkin Hart.  
Jas. Stephens

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on  
the 7th day of September 1896.  
Geo. M. Butler  
Chief Magistrate Dist.  
C.M.



Indian Territory.  
Cherokee Nation.

Personally appeared on this 3<sup>d</sup> day of August A.D. 1896. before me, a Notary Public, duly authorized to administer oaths, J. D. K. Martin aged 63 years, whose Post-Office address is Van Buren, Crawford Co. Arkansas, who being duly sworn declared and says: I was well acquainted with Mr. Hart, the Grand-father of Gabriel G. Henry. Mr. Hart was a half blood Cherokee Indian whose home was in Hawkins County, Tenn. He used to make business trips from Tennessee to Webbers Falls, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory. It was during these visits that I became acquainted with him and that an intimacy grew up between us. Mr. Hart was a very old man when I first knew him & no one disputed him being a Cherokee Indian. I know that Mr. Hart was the Grand-father of Gabriel G. Henry who died at Muldrow, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory a little over two years ago.

As near as I can remember it had been about forty years ago since Mr. Hart died. He died somewhere in Hawkins Co. Tennessee.

Michigan  
J M Payne  
et J Sadler

Louis B. Byrd  
Notary Public

My Commission  
expires Jan 6 1898



Indian Territory,  
Cherokee Nation.

We the undersigned do solemnly swear  
That we are the children of Gabriel C. Henry  
who died at Muldrow, Cherokee Nation, Ind. Terr.  
March 12<sup>th</sup> 1894. And we furthermore swear  
That Gabriel C. Henry was the son of Peter  
Hart who died near Alum Well, Hawkins  
Co Tenn. a little more than forty years ago  
and that Hm Hart the father of Peter Hart  
was our Great-Grandfather and recognized  
as a half blood Indian of the Cherokee  
tribe.

Signed.

Addie L. Gettys

Susan Matilda Farmer

Francis Lon Elderman

J. J. Henry

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D. 1896.

L. D. Boyd, Notary Public  
My com. expires Jan 6 1898



APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

To The Honorable S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of Cherokee Nation, Ind. Ter.

To The Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMRY, United States Commissioners

authorized by an act of Congress of June 4, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation :

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, your petitioner, John Pettys for and on behalf of The heirs of Gabriel C. Henry and heirs, this day makes this their application to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotments of land in Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood, and I herewith submit the depositions of B. D. K. Martin, G. W. B. Meadows, Harrison Arbough and George W. Tann, and Letter of Wm. Henry The Brother of Gabriel C. Henry and depositions of John Pettys, L. V. Farmer and Mrs. M. J. Henry and Addie C. Pettys, Susan Matilda Farmer, Francis Low Eddleman & J. C. Henry, and Letter of Larkin Hart in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when their application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached, as follows:

NAMES	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
Jessie Cordelia Pettys	Born	Daughter of Gabriel C. Henry
Thomas Robert Pettys	Oct. 18, 1869	Grand Son
John Pettys Jr.	Oct. 20, 1862	Grand Son
Hannie M. Hillmanville	Sept. 14, 1894	Daughter
Nicholas John Hillmanville	June 4, 1862	Grand Son
Louis Henry Hillmanville	Dec. 13, 1880	Grand Son
Jessie Blanche Hillmanville	Oct. 16, 1883	Grand Son
Charles Emory Hillmanville	Sept. 15, 1889	Grand Daughter
Susan Matilda Farmer	March 2, 1892	Grand Son
Mary Myrtle Farmer	June 7, 1868	Daughter
Ruth Ethel Farmer	June 15, 1886	Grand Daughter
Jeffrey Elmer Farmer	Aug. 7, 1890	Grand Daughter
Francis Low Eddleman	Nov. 10, 1894	Grand Son
Mark Otis Eddleman	Nov. 15, 1894	Daughter
Lois Virginia Eddleman	Nov. 15, 1894	Grand Daughter
J. C. Henry	Mar. 5, 1896	Grand Daughter
Earlie Maud Henry	Aug. 14, 1896	Son
Willie Ethel Henry	June 10, 1889	Grand Daughter
Gabriel Camadal Henry	Nov. 15, 1891	Grand Daughter
H. S. Henry	Dec. 14, 1894	Grand Son
	Jan. 24, 1896	Son

In witness of which I hereunto set my hand on this 4th day of September 1896.

John Pettys

I the undersigned do solemnly swear that the  
within application is their own voluntary act and  
made in good faith by the within named applicants  
for enrollment - believing themselves to be of Chinese blood.  
And I furthermore swear that no moral advantage  
has been taken or any fraud used in support of the  
within claim.

Signed

John King

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of  
September, A. D. 1896.

L. N. Byrd

my com. expires  
Dec 6 1898

Notary Public



No. 1957 392

PETITION OF

*John D. [unclear]*  
for and on behalf of  
*The heirs of [unclear]*  
and heirs

*L. [unclear]*

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896  
A. S. MCKENNON  
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*Respectfully*

*John W. Broadbent*  
*Attorney at Law*



We the undersigned do hereby certify that we  
were present and saw John Dugg of Malvern  
I. T. send by registered mail of today, affidavits of  
B. D. K. Martin, Harrison Ark., D. H. B. Menard  
George H. Tamm and joint-affidavit of John Dugg  
L. V. Farmer and Mrs. M. J. Henry and a copy of  
Letter from Mr. M. Henry to Hannie Hillman.

Also application for Enrollment of the heirs of  
C. Henry - To Honorable S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief,  
Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of August - A. D. 1896.

And we also certify that the above are original  
sworn depositions and the letter of Mr. M. Henry  
a true copy the same as letter and affidavits  
and application for Enrollment - presented to  
The Dawes Commission by the heirs of C. Henry.

Witness our hands this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August  
A. D. 1896.

Witness

L. A. Borry

Gas H. Endlove.

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Application for Enrollment of the heirs of Gabriel G.  
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L. W. B. Meadows, Harrison Arbuckle, L. W. Tann  
and joint-affidavit of John Getty, L. V. Garner  
and Mrs. M. J. Henry - and copy of letter of Wm  
M. Henry to Nannie Hillman.

Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> / 1890.

H. J. Boudinot  
Atty for Cherokee Nation

(1)      Knoxville Ky,  
August 25. 1896.  
Dr John. Gettys  
Washington D.C.

Dear sir yours  
of 8 inst received and con-  
tents noted would say in  
reply it was said that  
William Hart was the grand-  
father & that Peter Hart  
was the father of Gabriel  
C. Henry, and it was said  
that William Hart was  
an Indian of the Cherokee  
tribe. I am the son of Peter  
Hart & Peter the son of  
Wm. Hart. Willoughby Hart lives  
at Gray's Ky, he is my oldest



(2)

brother living he might  
give you some information  
in regard to the matter.

Martin Hart also lives at  
Gray you can write them  
at Gray I will see them  
myself in regard to matter.  
I would advise you to write  
to their Uncle Wm M. Henry  
Rodgersville Tenn. he lives  
about ten miles from where  
Wm Hart died he is well  
acquainted in that country  
and might give you the in-  
formation needed.

(9)

I can think of nothing  
else of importance at this  
time. Give my best respects  
to the widow & children of  
Sahul Henry and tell them  
to write me at New York City.  
Respect Yours.  
Larkin Hunt.

Rogersville Tenn

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 1895

Mrs. Fannie Hillman

Our dear Fannie  
this will inform you that we have  
received your kind letter with many  
thanks for you. We were all very glad  
to get your letter. I hope that you  
had got back to see your Ma &  
Children. Once more I want to know  
that you are well. I hope you are that  
we are greatly interested in you  
with fair & happiness. Also glad to  
hear that your Ma & Children are  
all well. Well Fannie we are living  
in town now. & Corridia & her children  
has been here a while. but left for home  
to day & it is snowing quite hard.  
though they can get home in the snow.  
Corridia has got three smart children.  
you would love them if you could see  
them. you can not imagine how much  
we love them.



I don't know how long we will remain  
in town I am not very well satisfied  
yet here. Will you wanted me to give  
you the names of our relations  
you must first be informed that we  
two illegitimate children  
our gran on the Henry side his  
name was Daniel Henry our grandmother's  
name was Lurana  
Our Father's name was Peter Hart  
his father's name was ~~Mr~~ Hart  
the great grand Parents names is not  
known. I don't know what you  
want with the names but I have  
given you the correct account  
I can. you state that you will come  
by when you go home. Well we will  
be so glad to have you pay us a visit  
as we want to see you a little but  
give our love to all & tell all to write  
you must write soon again

Yours lovingly

& may

John M. Henry

**OFFICE**  
**DR. : JOHN : GETTYS,**  
**PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.**

Special Attention given to Office Practice.

Muldrow, J. D. Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> 1896

Hon. H. S. McKeon,  
Tomb, D. D.

Respected Friend:

I this day inclose application  
for Enrollment - of the heirs of Patrick C. Henry  
together with affidavits, receipts etc.  
I have also this day sent the Chief  
another application as the first one  
by an oversight - in myself was not  
sworn to. I would like to have  
had Coulson's affidavit - but - he has  
thus far failed to send it - and  
time is too short - to afford to  
wait - longer I therefore submit  
the case upon its own merits  
asking and believing that the  
Board will receive just consideration  
before your honorable Commission.

**DR. : JOHN : GETTYS,**  
**PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.**

Special Attention given to Office Practice.

Middletown, I. D. ... 189-

In presenting this claim I would  
say that - All the work from beginning  
to end has devolved upon myself  
and never having acted in the capacity  
of "Lawyer" before I trust the Committee  
will make due allowance for my  
ignorance.

My wife and all of the family  
join me in kindest regards and well  
wishes for your health, happiness and  
prosperity.

Your friend as ever  
in D. A. M.  
John Drury.



State of Arkansas,  
County of Crawford.

Personally appeared on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August-  
A. D. 1896. before me a Notary Public duly  
authorized to administer oaths George H.  
Hendage 81 years whose Post-Office  
address is Dora, <sup>Crawford County</sup> ~~Arkansas~~ <sup>Ark.</sup>  
who being duly sworn depose and say  
I was well acquainted with Wm Hart-  
the grand father of Gabriel G. Henry who  
died at Moberly, Cherokee Nation, D.T. Two  
years ago last March. Wm Hart was  
a half blood Cherokee Indian of Hawkins  
Co., Tenn. I knew Wm Hart well  
and we lived near each other in  
Tennessee for several years. I also well  
know him when he used to be in the  
Territory buying cattle. At one time he  
lived quite a while at Moberly, D.T.  
I know that he was a half blood Cherokee  
Indian and so recognized by all who  
knew him. He also had a son Peter  
Hart whom I was well acquainted with.  
I also knew Gabriel G. Henry in Moberly,  
D.T. and have talked with him about  
his grand father Wm Hart. I last  
saw Wm Hart some forty years  
ago and I supposed him to be dead.  
But about that time I was in  
Arkansas and I saw him.

concerned in the claims for citizenship  
of the heirs of Gabriel C. Henry.

Witness  
A J Sadler  
Carl G. Gole.

signed  
G W <sup>Henry</sup> Varn  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 14 day of August 1896  
J J Garrett  
Notary Public

State of Indian Terr,  
Cherokee Nat,

Personally appeared on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1896, before me a Notary Public duly authorized to administer oaths, Harrison Arbough aged 62 years, whose Post-Office address is Muldrow, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, who being duly sworn deposes and says. I was personally acquainted with Wm Hart - the grand-father of Gabriel C. Henry who died at Muldrow, I. T. a little over two years ago. Wm Hart was a half blood Cherokee Indian of Hawkins Co, Tennessee, and he died near Alum Well, Hawkins County, Tenn. about forty years ago. He was a very old man when I first knew him and I know that he was a Cherokee Indian and the Grand father of Gabriel C. Henry. Wm Hart used to come to the Cherokee Nation and to Arkansas and speculate in cattle. That is how I became acquainted with him.

The above statement is made of my own free will and accord and I am not interested nor concerned in the claims for citizenship of the heirs of Gabriel C. Henry.

Signed  
H. A. Arbough



Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1896, by the above named  
affiant. I further certify that I am in  
no wise interested in said case nor concerned  
in the prosecution; and that said affiant  
is personally known to me and that he  
is a ~~competent~~ person.

J. H. Brown  
Notary Public

My Comm. expires  
Jan 2nd 1900

**End**





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Nation's No. 2766

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

In re Application of

*Taylor S. Newell*  
*et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 27-1896.

S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Taylor S. Newell et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *9266*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *P. H. Newell*

through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harrington, Hatching & Co Solicitors* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *19* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Territory of Oklahoma, }  
Pottawatomie County. }

Application for Enrollment.

To the Honorable

Henry S. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, Archibald S. McKennan, Thomas  
B. Cabaniss and Alexander B. Montgomery, United States Commissioners,  
authorized by an act of congress of June 4th 1896, to hear and determine  
claims for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned, your petitioner for and on behalf of Taylor S.  
Newell and Mary Ann Goslen who is Brother and Sister  
and the children of V. L. Newell who is the son of P. H. Newell  
and heirs, being the lineal descendant of the Newell  
family in the roll, this day do make this, their application  
to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee  
Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and  
allotments of land in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee  
blood herewith submit the affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when our appli-  
cation shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted.

FRAME 1

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached as follows:

Names	Age.	Relationship.
<u>Taylor S. Newell</u>	<u>22</u>	
<u>Mary Ann Goslen</u>	<u>32</u>	
<u>Melina P. Taylor</u>	<u>36</u>	
<u>A. L. Newell</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>brother Newell</u>
<u>V. L. T. H. Newell</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>son of P. H. Newell</u>
<u>B. J. Reese</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Martha C. Newell</u>
<u>John Newell</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>David C. Newell</u>



Gentle on:

and heirs, being the lineal descendant of Newell and Mary Ann Goslen who is brother and sister and the children of W L Skittle who is the son of P H Skittle

and heirs, being the lineal descendant of the small

to you for the purpose of being placed on the revised roll of Cherokee Indians and of those entitled to share in the distribution of funds and allotment of land in the Cherokee Nation, by virtue of their Cherokee blood. I herewith submit the affidavit of

in support of said claim, and respectfully await the time when our application shall be heard and tried.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor, S. Newell

*Mallic + Goswami*

Enrollment of family, with relationship attached as follows:

FRAME 2

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand this 16 day of Feb 1898

My Commission Expires  
January 17 - 1960

William H. Baylis  
Notary Public  
Jennett Oklahoma

State of Missouri }  
County of Benton } ss

Before me  
a Notary Public within & for the  
County of Benton & State aforesaid  
appeared personally Joseph Monroe  
and Thompson Stewart to me known  
to be credible witnesses and make  
the following Affidavit:

We have known  
Veleuris Newell ever since his marriage  
and know that the following names  
are his own legal children. We have  
lived within five miles of him ever  
since his marriage

Melissa P Taylor	Born Feb 17 <sup>th</sup> 1859
Sam L Newell	" Aug 17 <sup>th</sup> 1861
Clara Foster	" July 12 <sup>th</sup> 1864
Veleuris T. H. Newell	" May 6 <sup>th</sup> 1867
Taylor S. Newell	" Aug 6 <sup>th</sup> 1874
Bertha J Reeves	" June 16 <sup>th</sup> 1877
John Newell	" Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup> 1880

We are personally acquainted with  
all the above named persons.

Subscribed & sworn to before me at my Office  
in Benton County this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1896.  
Wm. H. Gallager  
Notary Public

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 & Young & Co

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 A. S. McKENNON  
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Rejected

J. L. Roberts,  
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of J. C. Roberts

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Tahlequah, S.T.

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Harry J. Pettus acting

State of Wisconsin  
County of Benton

Personally appeared before me  
~~William H. Gellacher~~ a Notary Public in  
and from the County and State aforesaid,  
Henry Cox, who being duly sworn  
says that he was well acquainted with  
Belmont's Newell during his lifetime, that  
he knew him for 50 years and knows  
that he was the son of Philip Newell who  
was a descendant of the <sup>big</sup> Chockma Indians  
and he further says that he knew  
said Philip Newell for years.

This affiant further says that he is  
well acquainted with the claim  
of the ~~Belmont's~~ <sup>Henry Cox</sup>  
John M. Taylor } affiant's signature  
(and not a copy here)

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896

William H. Gellacher

Notary Public

Notary Public

State of Tennessee  
County of Benton

Personally appeared before me  
<sup>officer's name</sup> William H. Gallahue a Notary Public in and  
for the county and State aforesaid  
<sup>Exes Gaylord</sup> <sup>Appar's name</sup> who being duly sworn  
says that he was well acquainted with  
Delouis Newell during his lifetime that  
he knew him for 30 years and knows  
that he was the son of Philip Newell  
who was a <sup>Once Quarter</sup> <sup>blood</sup>  
<sup>Cherokee Indian</sup> <sup>(Sage of blood)</sup> This he knows from  
statements made to him by Philip Newell  
and he further says that he knows  
said Philip Newell for 10 years  
This affiant further says that he  
is in no wise interested in this  
cause <sup>Notary in the</sup> <sup>his</sup>  
C. A. Gallahue <sup>Exes Gaylord</sup>  
John W. Lingle <sup>Marx</sup>  
<sup>Two witnesses</sup> <sup>Appar's signature</sup>

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1896  
William H. Gallahue  
~~Notary Public~~

Case upon App 26-1896



State of Missouri  
County of Benton

Personally appeared before me  
*William H. Gaudin* a Notary Public in and  
~~name of officer~~  
for the county and State aforesaid  
*Robert H. Bibb* (named affiant) who being duly sworn  
says that he was well acquainted with  
Velaus Newell during his lifetime  
that he knew him for <sup>(no)</sup> 25 years and  
knows that he was the son of Philip  
Newell who was a <sup>Quarter blood</sup> ~~Quarter blood~~  
head Cherokee Indian. This he knows  
from statement made by Velaus Newell 20 years  
or by ~~quasi~~ <sup>quasi</sup> ~~many~~ <sup>many</sup> of information  
and he further says that he knew said  
Philip Newell for <sup>6</sup> ~~6~~ years

This affiant further says that  
he is in no wise interested in this  
claim *Robert H. Bibb*

Witnessed  
*C. R. Gaudin* } affiant sign here  
*John W. Taylor* }  
(Two not sign here)

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August

1896

*William H. Gaudin*

My com exps apt 26-1899 Notary Public

Territory of Oklahoma }  
County of Pottawatomie } S. D.

In the Matter of the Claim of the  
Membership in the Cherokee Tribe or Nation of  
Indians in the Indian Territory, United States of America  
of Taylor S. Newell and Mary Ann Goslen Brother  
and Sister.

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1896. personally  
appeared before me a Notary Public duly authorized  
to administer Oaths James Martin aged. 28 years  
a resident of Shawnee in Pottawatomie County  
and Territory aforesaid. well known to be reputable  
and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn  
declares in relation to the aforesaid matter in question  
that he is well acquainted with Taylor S. Newell.  
and Mary Ann Goslen Brother and Sister, and that  
he has known them for a long time say from 15 to  
20 years. and was well acquainted with their Father  
T. S. Newell, and he fully believes from his own personal  
knowledge that they are of Cherokee Indian blood  
and lineal descendants of the Newell Family which  
name appears upon the Cherokee Indian Rolls.  
his Post Office address is Shawnee in Pottawatomie  
County Oklahoma Territory. and affiant further declares  
that he is not interested in this matter or concerned  
in its prosecution or results.

Witnessed by

James Martin

Territory of Oklahoma }  
County of Pottawatomie } S. D.

sworn to and subscribed to before me, this day,  
by the above named affiant and I certify that  
I read said affidavit to said affiant including  
and acquainted him with its contents before he  
executed the same. I further certify that I, am  
in no wise interested in said matter nor concerned  
in its prosecution and that said affiant is a  
credible person

E. J. Ives  
Notary Public.

8/21/99



Territory of Oklahoma }  
County of Cleveland } S. S.

In the Matter of  
the Claim of the Membership in the Cherokee  
Tribe or Nation of Indians in the Indian Territory  
United States of America of Taylor S. Newell  
and Mary Ann Goslen Brother and Sister

On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1896  
personally appeared before me a Notary Public  
duly authorized to administer Oaths  
Noah Martin aged 56 years. a resident in the  
County of Cleveland. and Territory of Oklahoma  
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit  
and who being duly sworn declares in relation  
to the aforesaid matter as follows. that he is well  
acquainted with Taylor S. Newell and Mary Ann  
Goslen. Brother and Sister, and that he has  
known them for the past twenty years,  
and knew their father for a much  
longer period.

~~and he further declares from his own personal knowledge  
that Taylor S. Newell and Mary Ann Goslen are the  
descendants of the Newell family who were  
affiliated with the Cherokee Nation.~~

his Post Office address is Noble, Cleveland  
County, Oklahoma Territory and affiant further  
declares that he is not interested in this matter or  
concerned in its prosecution or results.

Witness my  
hand and seal  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July  
A.D. 1896

Noah Martin  
Notary Public

Territory of Oklahoma. }  
County of Cleveland. } S.S.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me,  
this day, by the above named affiant and I  
certify that I read said affidavit to said  
affiant and acquainted him with its contents  
before he executed the same. I further certify  
that I am in no wise interested in said matter  
nor concerned in its prosecution and that said  
affiant is a credible person.

David J. Talley

Notary Public

My Com. expires Oct. 15, 1898.

**End**



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# Application for Cherokee Citizenship

To the Honorable, the DAWES COMMISSION, Vinita, Indian Territory:

The undersigned, Mary Helms, your petitioner, makes this application for admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with all the Treaties, the Constitution and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and precedents established and of record, and respectfully submits the following statement of facts for the grounds of her claim, to wit:

That she is the daughter of one Sarah Wilson and the grand daughter of one Jack Wilson and the son of one Jack Wilson

who, your petitioner firmly believes, was a Cherokee Indian by blood and duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and from whom she derived Cherokee Indian blood, entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory.

That she name and the name of said ancestor she should be found to appear on the Census Rolls, taken and made of Cherokees east of the Mississippi river, in the years, 1835, 1848, 1851, and 1852.

And your petitioner respectfully awaits the time this her application for admission, together with the proof in support thereof, shall be truly heard and passed upon.

That the age of your petitioner is 63 years; that her postoffice address is Kingston, Texas and that her family, by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood, consists of the following named to-wit:

No.	Names	Sex	Age	Relationship	Remarks.
1	John Helms	Mo	30	Son	13 Joe Helms-3
2	Leth Ferguson	F	28	Daughter	14 Mary Helms-1
3	Amosad Helms	M	21	Son	15 John Ferguson-12
4	Sarah Ferguson	F	23	Daughter	16 Mary Helms-1
5	Belle Helms	F	20	Daughter	17 John Ferguson-12
6	Ida Helms	F	16	Daughter	18 John Ferguson-12
7	Louise Helms	M	13	Son	19 John Ferguson-12
8	John Helms	M	8	Son	
9	John Helms	F	4	Daughter	
10	Henry Helms	Mo	2	Son	
11	William Helms	F	5	Daughter	
12	Frank Helms	M	4	Daughter	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at this, the 7 day of Sept, A. D., 1896

Attest:  
M. M. Fields  
D. H. Helms

Mary Helms

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Kingston, Tex  
this, the 7 day of Sept, A. D., 1896

[SEAL]

G. W. Baker  
Notary Public

My cert. exp. - Nov 21-1899



ATTIDAVIT.

*Witness Stans of*  
*American north*  
*and Que Ser* } SS.  
In the case of *Mary Helms*

claimant for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me *W. B. Baker*  
*Notary Public* within and for the *above* aforementioned, duly authorized  
to administer oaths.

well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
deposes and says: My name is *George Helms*, my age is *72*  
years: My post-office address is *Toddington*

; I am a *Farmer* by occupation;  
I am a citizen of the *Cherokee Nation Que Ser*

And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with Mary Helms  
have known her family for several  
generations as far back as to her  
Grand Father whose name was Jack  
Wilson a full blooded *Cherokee*  
Indian

*attest M. M. Fields* *George Helms*  
*G. H. Helms* *work*

Subscribed & sworn to before me this  
7 day of Sep. 1906

*Notary Public*  
*W. B. Baker*

*W. B. Baker*

My commission expires on the *21* day of *Nov* A. D., 18 *99*  
Notary Public.

# AFFIDAVIT.

*Witness Stans of*  
*American north*  
*not Quil Ser* } SS.  
 In the case of *Mary Helms*

claimant for citizenship  
 in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, before the Honorable "Dawes  
 Commission," authorized under act of the Congress of the United States.

Personally appeared this day before me *Geo. M. Nelson* a  
*Notary Public* within and for the *above* aforementioned, duly authorized  
 to administer oaths.

well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, according to law,  
 deposes and says: My name is *George M. Nelson*; my age is *22*  
 years: My post-office address is *Tulsa, Okla.*

I am a citizen of the *Cherokee Nation*; I am a *Notary Public* by occupation;  
 And affiant declares in relation to the above-named case, as follows, to-wit:

I am acquainted with Mary Helms  
 have known her family for several  
 generations as far back as to her  
 Grand Father whose name was Jack  
 Wilson a full blooded ~~Cherokee~~  
 Indian  
*Arthur M. Fields* *George M. Nelson*  
*Notary Public* *work*  
 Subscribed & sworn to before me this  
 7 day of Sep. 1906

*Notary Public*  
*Geo. M. Nelson*  
*Notary Public*

United States of America,  
Indian Territory,  
Northern District.

Affidavit of Service and Return.

I, J. H. Helms  
J. H. Helms, do solemnly swear that I did, on this, the  
7<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D., 1896, serve on the Principal Chief of the  
Cherokee nation, true, correct and literal copies of the above and  
foregoing original applications, affidavits, record evidence and depo-  
sitions and exhibits as follows, to-wit:

One citizenship application of Mary  
Helms of Kiefer town  
and affidavits of George Wilkerson  
Whiteman L. V.

Certified to by G. H. Baker Notary Public  
Northern Dist. Ind. Terr.  
constituting aff of the applications, and testimony to be submitted to  
the Dawes Commission, in support of the claim of  
Mary Helms et al.  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of Septem-  
ber, A. D., 1896.

G. H. Baker  
Notary Public.  
My commission expires on the 21 day of Nov A. D., 1897



**End**

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Joe Carter

v.

Blanche Watson

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A. S. McKENNON

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Repealed

Wm. Boyer, Jr.



This day personally appeared before me, Mary Harding, who, upon oath, states:- that she is 36 years old, and an Cherokee Indian by marriage; she was formerly a resident of the State of Georgia, but now lives in the town of Muscogee, Indian Territory; she states that she is well acquainted with Joseph Carter, who is an applicant before the Dawes Commission for enrollment as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation; that she has known the said Joseph Carter for about twenty five (25) years, and that she knows him to be an Cherokee Indian by blood; she knew him in the State of Georgia, and has renewed her acquaintance with him since she came to the Indian Territory; she further states that she knew Thompson Carter, who was the father of the said Joseph Carter, and that she has always known Joseph Carter as the son of said Thompson Carter; that she has always understood that the said Thompson Carter was an Cherokee Indian by blood, and that he was so recognized and treated by the Cherokees of the State of Georgia among whom he lived; she further states that she has no interest in this matter, and that she has given her testimony in behalf of said Joseph Carter in order that his true status might be known to the Dawes Commission before whom he is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Witness my hand,  
A. J. Hill  
D. M. Widen

Mary X. Harding

Sworn to and subscribed before me this September 2, 1906.

U. M. Nathan, Notary.

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Northwest District } Before me J. Bayles a  
Inclined Territory } Notary Public in and  
for the said District and Territory, Joseph  
Carter who after being duly sworn states  
I on this day delivered to him of our  
Application for Citizenship, and signed by  
myself, and two Affidavits signed by  
Geo W. Milkenson and Sarah Lordy. to be  
used to prove my Cherokee blood, Hon David  
Commissioner, said documents was received by  
the Atty representing the Cherokee Nation on  
Citizenship, who refused to accept for the same  
Joseph Carter,

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me at Tahlequah this 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
September 1896  
J. Bayles Notary Public  
Northwest District N.T.  
Commission Expires July 15th. 1899.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Northern District.

Sealed Print, Tabular.

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TO THE HONORABLE

Dawes Commission  
Smith & T.

Indian Territory

The undersigned, Joseph H. Carter, respectfully represents that he  
is the son of Thompson Carter and  
that the said Thompson Carter

was of Cherokee Indian blood and was acknowledged a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians  
and from whom your petitioner derives his Cherokee blood and through whom he is entitled to  
Cherokee Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation. That Said Thompson Carter name was  
upon Census Rolls of 1828 and 1835 that the said Thompson Carter was a  
Cherokee by blood; that the names of the said ancestors of your petitioners should be found upon  
certain census rolls taken and made of the Cherokees; that the family containing Cherokee blood  
consists of the following named persons, to-wit:

<u>Joseph H. Carter</u>	aged <u>45</u> years	<u>White Lucy</u>
<u>Jeffie</u>	aged <u>14</u> years	<u>Samuel</u>
<u>Matie</u>	aged <u>9</u> years	<u>"</u>
<u>Robert H.</u>	aged <u>7</u> years	<u>Son</u>
<u>"</u>	aged <u>5</u> years	<u>"</u>

Wherefore your petitioner respectfully submits to this Honorable Body his application for  
admission or readmission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, as Cherokee  
Indians by blood, and respectfully submit the foregoing facts duly verified, together with the affi-  
davit hereunto annexed, and ask that they shall be heard and considered and passed on in accord-  
ance with all laws governing such cases, and the precedent established, and of public record in such  
cases, and accorded equal rights with other members of said Tribe for all proper relief.

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1895

Joseph Carter APPLICANT.  
Applicant.

Joseph Carter being first duly sworn deposes and says that he  
is the person named in the foregoing application as petitioner therein; that he has heard read the  
same and knows the contents thereof and that the same is true to his own knowledge.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

Fourth September 1895

S. M. Rogers Notary Public  
Northern District, Et.

Commission Expires July 19th, 1899.



Northwestern District before me S. S. Boyles, a  
Indian Territory Notary Public in and for  
Swice District and Territory, and authorized to admin-  
ister oaths to J. M. McKesson who is well  
known to me, and whose oath is entitled to full  
faith and credit, who after being duly sworn states  
as follows: I was personally acquainted with Wilson and Sam  
Lester (who is now deceased) who resided in the Cherokee  
Nation. Both of whom were Cherokee Indians and  
enjoyed Cherokee citizenship, and was recognized  
Cherokee Indians by blood, by the community  
in which they lived and by the Cherokee authorities.  
Attest  
J. E. Miller  
J. M. Thomas

Wm. McKesson  
made

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me at Tahlequah this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1896  
S. S. Boyles Notary Public  
Northwestern District, T.T.  
Commission Expires July 19th, 1899.

**End**





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Bill Co Taylor

Miss Mary Raybale

v.  
Edwina Watson

Filed 9/8/26

H. W. Jackson

Deputy

Respectfully

Bill Co Taylor

James.

Mary <sup>he</sup> + Bryan <sup>mark</sup> Hagdale

~~John~~  
Miss Sarah C. Remond  
The Samuels

Several to & subscribed before  
me this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1899

James Boyd  
Notary Public for  
County of

at request of applicant I annexed a  
copy of this application to them.  
S. H. Hayes

H. W. Jacobson Secy

The Hon Henry C Davis et al  
United Indian Persecutors

Your petitioners

Mrs Mary Ragsdale, a citizen now  
of Bellin Bell County Texas,  
would respectfully represent that  
she is desirous of being enrolled  
as a citizen of the Cherokee Tribe  
of Indians. And offers her own  
testimony in this behalf. as she  
has no other to substantiate her  
affidavit in this State. I say,  
My Mother's name was John  
Ragsdale, who lived in Monroe County  
Texas, and was of Cherokee  
Indians, My father's name was  
Nashley Morgan, of Cherokee Indians.  
He lived in Monroe Co Texas, he is  
now dead my present husband's  
name is James Ragsdale. He  
was born in about 1881, and  
my maiden name was Mary Ragsdale.  
I have only one son Nashley Morgan who  
now resides in Monroe Co Texas.  
My Grand Mother went with the  
Tribe to the Persecutors. She has  
long since died. The rest  
of the family remained in



**End**



To Honorable Dan Commission Minda S.D.

Four petitioners heretofore named respectfully show  
to your honorable Board of Commissioners that they are  
the children of Mattie Rose, who first married Daniel  
Johnson Sr. Second Marriage J. P. Kinkle and third  
Marriage Ben. Bruce, and of the first marriage the  
children of said Johnson are 27 years now the wife  
of H. Ingle of Fairview Texas, Maggie Johnson  
age 25, now the wife of W. D. Metten of Berwin  
Tex., they have 4 children and Daniel Johnson  
(single) age 23 years of New Texas Hill Tex.  
And of the second Marriage the children are Carrie  
Kinkle now wife of John Brinson of Arlington  
Texas, they have one child, Fannie Kinkle who  
is dead, died at the age of 7 years of the  
third Marriage Fannie Bruce age 15 years of White River  
Ark. and said Fannie is now 13 years and James C  
Bruce age appears to be 11 years old S.D. All  
claim to be entitled to enrolment as citizens of the Indian  
Nations by virtue of their Cherokee blood inherited  
from their Mother. And base their claim upon the  
proof established by J. P. Rose of <sup>Arlington</sup> Tarrant County Tex  
as their Mother's Brother and they hereby make  
this Application based upon the proof made by  
the aforesaid J. P. Rose and respectfully ask your  
Honorable Board of Commissioners that the application  
and proof made by him the said J. P. Rose be  
considered as proof to establish our Indian blood.

And now comes Maggie Ingle (nee Johnson) single  
by her husband W. Ingle and respectfully ask that  
she be heard upon the proof of her Uncle J. P. Rose  
and that she be enrolled as a citizen of the Cherokee

Original of 1877



Native, American, Indian, entitled to not enrolled, as the  
same have been and otherwise, in fact it has  
always been known in our family that our name  
related to the Cherokee Indian by blood.  
And this applicant, Giggie, being informed by the  
same, prays that they be enrolled upon the  
rolls of the Cherokee Nation and that they be granted  
all the rights that they may be entitled to either in law  
or equity and make out a pedigree for all citizens of  
the Cherokee Nation, for all which they will  
ever pray -

Giggie Lingle

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this Aug 29, 1890.

J. E. Mayworth Notary Public  
in and for Cherokee County, Ga.

State of Texas  
County of Tarrant

Before me SD Gasator  
JP & Ex-officio Notary Public  
in and for Tarrant County  
Texas personally appeared

Henry Mc Kee and W H Hart respectively  
who after being by me duly sworn  
Certifies as follows (to wit) that they  
were personally acquainted with Miss  
Mollie Rose and J P Rose and know  
them to be own Brothers and sister  
and know that the said Mollie Rose  
did marry one Daniel Johnson Sr  
of Marshall County Ala on or  
near the Frontier reservation,  
they had three children born to them  
respectfully Lizzie, aged 27 years old  
and Daniel Johnson aged 22 years old and  
Maggie Johnson aged 25 year old  
the said Daniel Johnson Sr then  
died about the year 1875 leaving  
the said Mollie Johnson ne Rose a  
widow with the three above mentioned  
children then she the said Mollie  
Johnson married J J Kinkle about  
the year of 1876 they the said  
Mollie Kinkle ne Johnson and J J  
Kinkle had two children born to  
them Respectfully Carrie Kinkle and  
Tomma Kinkle ages respectfully Carrie  
19 year old and Tomma aged 17 year old  
then the said J J Kinkle died about  
the year of 1878 then about the year

Witness my hand and seal  
this 1st day of March 1880

of 1881 the said Mollie Kunkle ne  
Johnson married one Wm Bruce then  
they moved to Sunset Wise County Texas  
and we are informed that the said  
Mollie Bruce ne ~~Kunkle~~ died  
in Wise County Texas leaving other  
Children Born to her the said  
Mollie Bruce and Wm Bruce  
Henry McKee  
W. H. Hart

the State of Texas / before me Ed Gasater  
Tarrant County / J P & Ex-officio Notary  
Public

This day personally appeared Henry McKee  
and W. H. Hart who being duly sworn says  
the above and foregoing evidence is  
true and correct to the best of their know-  
ledge and I certify that they are reputable  
and entitled to Credit given under  
my hand and seal of Office this  
August the 4th 1896

Ed Gasater J P & Ex-officio  
Notary Public in and for  
Tarrant County Texas



Affidavit of P. Rose

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Application of  
Lizzet by a stat  
for enrollment as  
a citizen of the  
Cherokee Nation Indian  
Territory -

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

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Harrisville, Tex.

The State of Texas. Before me the undersigned  
County of Tarrant & Authority duly authorized to  
administer oaths by the authority of the State  
of Texas, on this day personally appeared  
J. P. Rose a resident citizen of Tarrant County  
Texas - and well known to me to be a legitimate  
citizen and is entitled to full rights -

And affiant deposes and says he has in his life  
time (well knew) Mollie Rose who is dead the first  
married Daniel Johnson & and that some of their  
Marriage there were born to them as the result  
of their marriage Lizzie Johnson Daniel Johnson and  
Maggie Johnson and the said Daniel Johnson died  
and the said Mollie Johnson then married one J. T.  
Kinkle and he died and then she  
married one Wm. Bruce and the said Mollie  
died and left surviving her the said  
Wm. Bruce with other children from the marriage  
of marriage with Kinkle and Bruce - And  
affiant says the purpose of this affidavit is  
to show that Lizzie Johnson was the daughter of Mollie  
Johnson as aforesaid and that she married Dr. A. B. Boyle  
of Gainesville Texas sometime Dec. about the 11th of January  
And affiant says he knows her well and that she is his  
Niece and that the said Mollie Rose was his  
Sister -

J. P. Rose

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day  
of August 1896 W. D. Lasater J. P. & Ex-officio  
Notary Public in and for Tarrant  
County Texas,

Lizzie Ingle  
vs.  
enrollment Charles Nelson & Co.

B. F. Mitchell,  
Attorney-at-Law,  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Gainesville, Texas Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1896

How James Commission  
Deputy -

I herewith hand you the affidavit of  
Mrs Lizzie Ingle; also a registered receipt showing the fact that  
Governor Mayo received a registered letter which I registered  
a true copy of the original papers & have you and he  
from as I get his acknowledgments I will also  
send it. Please acknowledge receipt

Yours truly Dr. H. Ingle



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Nation's No. 669

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

*Lizzie Tangle*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 21 1896. \*

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Biggin Ingle*

Nation's No. *669*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *The Armstrong*

through whom the petitioner.....claims to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined, that *her* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Bousine* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *16th* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*S. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

When the registered letter or parcel is opened, the receiver will receive signature to the receipt on the envelope, and must not open without being authorized. A penalty of \$100 is levied by law for doing otherwise.

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Signature of recipient		

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Application No 3445-398

Samuel G. Guit.

Cherokee

FILED SEPT. 7 1896. \*

A. S. McKENNON

Repealed

THOS. B. LATHAM  
LAWYER  
FORT SMITH, ARK.

# Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Vester Muller.....do solemnly swear that on the 2th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 883... received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Annabella Jink..... and of the affidavits of..... and James D. Norman..... in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 2 day of September, 1896.

*State att.*  
*Emory Detachman*

*James D. Norman*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

Jannulla Pink:  
Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable Dunes Commission

The undersigned respectfully petition and memorialize your honorable body for admission to the rights and privileges of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, under the treaties and laws of said Nation, and the United States. Your petitioner states that immediate family consists of the following named persons, for whom she asks the privileges of citizenship with petitioner, to-wit:

Name of my \_\_\_\_\_; age \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Children	Ages	Names of Children	Ages

As grounds for asking admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory,

your petitioner states: That her name is Jannulla Pink, and her age is 54 years. That she resides at Fort Smith, Arkansas. That her maiden name was Jannulla Carney, and she is a daughter of Isabella Carney formerly Culppepper, who was a daughter of Jim Culppepper or as he was called Old Chief Culppepper who was raised in the Cherokee Nation East and who was a full blood Cherokee Indian and a member of tribe.

Petitioner states that she is an admixture of white, Cherokee Indian and negro blood - and is at least 1/4 Cherokee blood.

Petitioner states that she resides in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory for 14 years but has lately been living in the State

STATE OF Arkansas  
COUNTY OF Washington

Accepted

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1901, \_\_\_\_\_, undersigned, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State above named, \_\_\_\_\_, who, after being duly sworn by me, says: That the statements set forth in the foregoing petition and memorial for \_\_\_\_\_ citizenship, are true, at the party before

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and date last above written.

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_



# Affidavit of Witness.

In the matter of Petition and Memorial of Jannulla Gink  
for Admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
STATE OF Arkansas  
COUNTY OF LeFlore

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Horace S. Norman who, after being by me duly sworn, states:  
That he 40 years of age, and a resident of the State of Cherokee Nation  
and County of Sequoyah District and that he is personally acquainted with  
Jannulla Gink who is an applicant for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation. Affiant further states:  
(Here set out all that witness knows about claimant's family and ancestors of Indian blood.)

Affiant further states: That he has known the said Jannulla Gink  
for the past 10 years, and knows that she has been and is recognized by her neighbors,  
acquaintances and the public generally, as having Cherokee Indian blood, and that the complexion and physical  
appearance of the said Jannulla Gink indicates that she is of Cherokee  
Indian blood and descent. Affiant further says, that from the above facts and circumstances, and from what  
he has heard and knows of the family of the said Jannulla Gink  
he believes the said Jannulla Gink to be a descendant by blood of  
the Cherokee Indian tribe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Sept 1906  
Horace S. Norman  
Notary Public  
My Commission expires Feb. 14 - 1908

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Nation's No. 2785

Commission's No

In re Application of

*Samuel J. Smith  
et al*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Samuel Grant et al.*

Nation's No. *2785*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Henry and John Brown* through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Henry and John Brown* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



**End**



No ~~30-22~~ 399-  
Application of

Alice Suttle.

Cherokee Freedman Roll.

FILED SEPT. 7 1896. ★  
A. S. MCKENNON  
CLERK

*Rejected*

THOS. B. LATHAM,  
LAWYER,  
FORT SMITH, ARK.



Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Victor Muller do solemnly swear that on the 5th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 353 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of Allen Little and of the affidavits of \_\_\_\_\_ in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 5th day of September, 1896.

State atk  
County Sebastian

Victor Muller

J. W. Satcha  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

Alice Tuttle:

# Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable Dawes Commission:

The undersigned respectfully petition and memorialize your honorable body for admission to the rights and privileges of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, under the treaties and laws of said Nation, and the United States. Your petitioner states that her immediate family consists of the following named persons, for whom she asks the privileges of citizenship with petitioner, to-wit:

Name of my self Alice Tuttle; age 30

Name of Children	Age	Name of Children	Age
Clara Tuttle	10		
Ray	8		

As grounds for asking admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, your petitioner states:

She is a daughter of George Crutchfield who was a slave and belonged to John Crutchfield who is a Cherokee Indian and lived in the Cherokee Nation. She said George Crutchfield belonged to John Crutchfield at and before the time of the war and during the war was moved by Crutchfield to Texas and after the war lived in the Cherokee Nation and afterwards moved to Arkansas.

STATE OF Arkansas

COUNTY OF Washington

Alice Tuttle

On this 4 day of September 1896

undersigned, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared before me, the

Alice Tuttle

who, after being duly sworn by me, says: That the statements set forth in the foregoing petition and memorial for Cherokee citizenship, are true, as she verily believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and date last above written

M. D. Peltier

My Commission expires February 1897

NOTARY PUBLIC

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Nation's No. 2786-  
Commission's No. 399

In re Application of

Alice Little  
Et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 8 1896.

J. A. S. McKENNON

~~J. A. S. McKENNON~~



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Alice Tuttle et al*

Nation's No. *2786*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

Through whom the petitioner *claim* to derive *right*  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is *not* now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

*applicant failed to comply with  
provisions of treaty of 1866- relative  
to the return and residence of freed men  
of this Nation -*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harling Hutchings & Band* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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Charles O. H. H.

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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

1. Hester Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 2th day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel Mayo, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Chickasaw Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 383 received from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of affidavits of \_\_\_\_\_ and of the \_\_\_\_\_ in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 2th day of September, 1896.

John N. Smith

NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

Lou Ella Varnell.

Application for Cherokee Citizenship.

To the Honorable Dawes Commission:

The undersigned respectfully petition and memorialize your honorable body for admission to the rights and privileges of citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, under the treaties and laws of said Nation, and the United States. Your petitioner states that her immediate family consists of the following named persons, for whom she asks the privileges of citizenship with petitioner, to-wit:

Name of my husband: R. J. Varnell; age:

Names of Children.	Age.	Names of Children.	Age.
Varnell			
Varnell			

As grounds for asking admission to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, your petitioner states:

That she is a daughter of Nancy E. Smith who is an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, I. T. before your Honorable Commission and Petitioner refers to the evidence filed with said Nancy E. Smith's claim in support of her application.

That Petitioner is 35 years old and is married and has 2 children who she asks to be enrolled with her.

Petitioner's post-office address is Palestine, Texas.

STATE OF Arkansas

COUNTY OF Atoka

On this 5th day of Sept - 1906

undersigned, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid,

who, after being duly sworn by me, say: That the statements set forth in the foregoing petition and memorial for Cherokee citizenship are true, as he

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day and date last above written.

E. H. Gacy, J.P.



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Nation's No. 2789-

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Low Ella Vornell  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sam C. Llo Vornell*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2789*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*Mary C. Smith*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *John L. Adair* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *25* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, Victor Mullen do solemnly swear that on the 6  
day of September, 1896, I saw a package registered at the postoffice at Fort Smith, Arkansas, addressed to Samuel  
Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, Indian Territory, that Registry Receipt No. 983  
from postmaster, hereto attached, is a receipt for said package, which contained true copies of the application of  
Francis M. Torn and of the  
affidavits of Victor Mullen  
in support of same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 6th day of September, 1896.

John A. Senter  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

My Commission expires 14th of March, 1900.

No.

No.

APPLICATION OF

*Francis M. Harrison* Et. Al.,

FOR

Enrollment in *Cherokee* Nation

Filed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189

Sec. U. S. Com. Five Civ. Tribes.

Attorney for Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *21* day of *August*, 1896.

*Con. Spencer*  
Notary Public.

in U.S. Office

at Chicago, Ill.



# APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT.

Before the United States Commission to the five Civilized Tribes of Indians:

Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, VS.  
 PETITIONER, RESPONDENT.  
 APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE AND ENROLLMENT.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED HONORABLE COMMISSION:

Your petitioner Francois M. Fairman states that Elizabeth Christie was a Cherokee Indian by blood, was duly recognized by the proper authorities as such in in Old Cherokee Nation, N.C. and enjoyed all the rights, privileges, benefits and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood in the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and that the name of the said Elizabeth Christie appears or should appear upon the authenticated rolls of the said Cherokee Indians for the year 1880. That the petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Elizabeth Christie.

That the petitioner is a lineal descendant of the said Klizabeth Christie  
and he is a mixture of white and Cherokee Indian, and is at least one  
sixteenth Cherokee blood, and that he is the son of Phoebe Jane and James  
M. Fairman, and the said James M. Fairman was the son of the late Harvey  
W. Fairman and Lodoaki Fairman, and the late Lodoaki Fairman was the  
daughter of the late Shadrick, and Hannah P. Allard, and the said Han-  
nah P. Allard was the daughter of the late John Putnam and Klizabeth  
Christie, and the said Klizabeth Christie was born in Knox County,  
Tenn., in 1860, and died in said county in 1940. Said Klizabeth Christie  
lived in the Old Cherokee Nation in Tenn., and North Carolina, and  
spoke the Cherokee Indian language, and was a full blood Cherokee Indian  
and was a member of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians.

That under the constitution, laws, usages and customs of the said Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians, and the laws of the United States, and treaties with said Indians, your said petitioner is entitled to be admitted and enrolled as a citizen and member of said Cherokee Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory and entitled to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians by blood.

That there are now living legal descendants of your said petitioner one persons, as follows, to-wit:

Marshall Fairman, \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ daughter \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ eight \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age

Wherefore the premises are filed for record.

Witness my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public for the State of \_\_\_\_\_

Wherefore, the premises considered, your petitioner prays that \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ name, with those of \_\_\_\_\_

...said descendants, to-wit: Dahorah Fairman

...be enrolled and admitted to all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities of other Cherokee Indians, in and to the Cherokee Nation or Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And in support of said claim herewith submits the affidavits, depositions and record evidence namely:

and petitioner respectfully awaits the time and place when his application shall be heard and tried, and petitioner will ever pray, etc.

J. P. Mullins & R. N. Martin  
Attorneys for petitioners.

The aforementioned petitioner, Francis M. Fairman says that the statements set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true according to his best knowledge information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31 day of August, 1899.

APPLICATION OF Francis M. Fairman Ch. 11

FOR Enrollment in Cherokee Nation

Filed on the 31 day of August, 1899

Sec. U. S. Court, Five Civil Tribes

Attest: [Signature]  
Attorney for Petitioner

Notary Public

Com. of U.S. 1899



No 3462 401  
Francis M. Ferris

Cherokee

FILED SEPT. 7 1896  
A. S. McKENNON  
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Respectfully  
Joseph M. Ferris  
Att'y



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Nation's No. 2759  
Commission's No .....

In re Application of

*Francis M. Fairman*  
*et al.*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. \*

\*A. S. MCKENNON\*

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Francis M. Fannin*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2759*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*Elizabeth Christall*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Thaddeus Hixson & Benjamin* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *25* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Murphy, N.C.

Registered Letter No. 88 Rec'd. Sept 5 1896

of E. J. Norvell

addressed to Dr. L. M.  
Municipal Chief Chiropractor  
Jahlequah St  
M. L. Manney P. M.

State of North Carolina.

Cherokee County.

I, John W. M. Ashley, do solemnly swear that on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D. 1896, I saw E. B. Norville attorney, request a package addressed to the principal Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Nation, at Tallahassee, Indian Territory, and that requesting receipt to 88 cents attached as a receipt for same. I saw M. L. Manning sign said receipt and know that he is the post master at Murphy, Cherokee County, North Carolina.

I further swear that said package contained copy of the application of Jemmett Rodgers for Citizenship in Cherokee Nation, with affidavit of Negahatch B. Hayatt in support of same. I am not related by blood or marriage to Jemmett Rodgers and have no interest in or in support of his application.

John W. M. Ashley  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1896. I certify that applicant is of good character and worthy of credit and belief.

J. E. [unclear]  
Notary Public in and for  
Cherokee County, North Carolina



State of North Carolina  
County of Cherokee }  
I D. L. Watts Clerk of the Superior Court  
for the County of Cherokee and State of North  
Carolina do hereby certify that J. B. Anderson  
is an acting Justice of the Peace in and  
and for the County and State aforesaid and  
that all his official acts as such are  
entitled to full faith & credit. Witness my  
hand and official seal of office in Murphy  
on this 29 day August 1896

By D. W. ~~By Deane Deane~~ D. L. Watts.  
Clerk Superior Court.

affidavit of witness

State of North Carolina

County of Cherokee

Personally appeared before me a Justice of  
Peace for Cherokee County ~~Henry~~ <sup>William B</sup>  
Hyzatt

Who after being by me duly sworn states  
that he is 71 years of age and a citizen of  
Cherokee County and State above named  
and his Post office is Waltherston NC  
and that he is personally acquainted with

Jennett Rodgers who is an applicant for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Indian  
Territory and affiant further states that  
the said Jennett Rodgers is the identical  
Person she represents herself to be in her  
application for Citizenship in said Nation  
and that the said Jennett Rodgers is a  
Daughter of Mary Payne who was the Daughter  
of ~~Thomas~~ <sup>Thomas</sup> Raper and Catherine Raper  
who was always recognized as Cherokee  
Indians and has drawn money from  
the United States government as such  
Cherokee Indians affiant further  
states that he has known the said  
Jennett Rodgers for 40 years and knows  
she is and has been recognized and  
treated by her neighbors acquaintances

and the Public generally as a Person.  
having Cherokee Indian Blood and  
that the complexion and Physical  
appearance of said Jennett Rodgers indicate  
that she is of Indian Blood that from  
the above facts and circumstances affiant  
states he has Every Reason to Believe and  
Do Believe that said Jennett Rodgers is  
of Cherokee Indian Blood affiant  
further states that he has no interest in  
the Prosecution of the Claim of Jennett  
Rodgers to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
D. C.

Hegelerah B. Hyatt

Osworn to and Subscribed Before me  
a Justice of the Peace

this August 26 1896 and I hereby certify  
that I am well acquainted with the said  
Hegelerah B. Hyatt  
and know him to be a Person of  
credibility truth and veracity

J. B. Anderson  
Justice of the Peace



Application for citizen ship.  
to Hon Henry L Dawes Frank C armistrong  
Archibald B McKannon Thomas B  
Calhoun and Alexander B Montgomery  
United States Commissioners authorized  
by an act of Congress of June 4<sup>th</sup> 1896 to  
hear and determine claims for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation the undersigned  
Jennett Rodgers who was formerly Jennett  
Payne makes this application for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian  
Territory as a Cherokee Indian by blood  
in accordance with an act of Congress  
and Laws of the Cherokee Nation and  
Respectfully submits the following facts  
as grounds of this claim to wit that  
she is the daughter of Mary Payne who  
was the daughter of Thomas and  
Catherine Raper who was the daughter  
of Alexander McDaniel and his wife  
who your Petitioner firmly believes  
was Cherokee Indian by blood and  
fully acknowledged members of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom  
Petitioner derived her Indian blood  
Entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation that the names of said ancestors should  
be found to appear on the Census Roll

On the Cherokee East of the Mississippi River Claimant is a Regular Desendent from Alexander McDaniel and his Wife Who were acknowledged as such Cherokee Indians by that tribe your Petitioner is 49 years of age her Past office is Culherson North Carolina and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian Blood is as follows

	age	Relation Ship.
# 1021 Malay Roll 1848		Daughter of #1021
Jennett Rodgers	49	Head of Family Husband Dead
Martha Rodgers	26	Daughter
Sarah Rodgers	24	Daughter
Ervin Rodgers	6	Son
Frank Rodgers	2	Son

your Petitioner herewith Submits the Proof of this application and Respectfully awaits its Determination

Jennett <sup>her</sup> + Rodgers <sup>mark</sup>  
 State of North Carolina County of Cherokee  
 you do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing Petition are true to the Best of your knowledge and Belief So help you God

Jennett <sup>her</sup> + Rodgers <sup>mark</sup>  
 I swear to and subscribe before me this August 28/1896 and I hereby certify that Petitioner is known to me as the identical Person Represented in her petition and is a Person of good Character and worthy of Credit

J. B. Anderson  
 Justice of the Peace

No. 2272 402

Ex. Part  
Jennett Rogers

Application for Citizenship  
in Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. \*

A. S. McKENNON

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Rejected

Murphy, Ch. Co.



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Nation's No. 680  
Commission's No. 402  
In re Application of

*Jessie Rogers*

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 9 1896. ☆

★ A. S. MCKENNON ★

— CO. A. R. —

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Before the Honorable, Henry H. Bowen, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. H. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*James H. Rogers*

Nation's No. *680*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That the Commission has no jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and will, therefore, decline to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the applicant does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent further avers, in answer to said demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Alfred M. Davidson* *is* through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right

to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *has* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, *as it is now defined*.

Having fully answered your respondent's demur, to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*W. H. Mayes* *W. H. Mayes* *W. H. Mayes* Attorneys

*John L. Rogers* *John L. Rogers* *John L. Rogers* Attorneys  
John L. Rogers, Executive Secretary Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the \_\_\_\_\_

*John L. Rogers*

*S. J. Ball*

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NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



No 1973 B

Ex parte

Ellen Robinson

Application for  
Citizenship in Charles  
Nation

FILED SEPT 8 1906

A. S. McKENNON

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Repealed

Wm. H. H.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Murphy NC  
Registered Letter } No. 90 Rec'd. Sept 5 1896  
Parcel }  
of One letter  
addressed to Municipal Chief Clerk John  
Tahlequah L. I.  
M L Mauney P.M.

State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

I John W. H. Alley do solemnly swear  
that on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1896 I  
saw E. B. Norvell register a package  
at the post office in Murphy Cherokee  
County, North Carolina, addressed to  
the Principal Governor, or chief of the Cherokee  
Nation at Tallequah Indian Territory  
That registry receipt No 90 hereto  
attached is a receipt for same. I further  
swear that I saw M. L. Manning sign paid  
receipt & further swear to be that M. L. Manning  
is post-master at Murphy Cherokee County  
North Carolina, I further swear that said  
package contained copy of application of  
Ellen Roberson and copies of  
affidavits of M. M. Hawkins

In support of same, I am not related by  
blood or marriage to Ellen Roberson the applicant  
I have no interest in or connection with same

John W. H. Alley

Subscribed and sworn to before me this Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1896  
I certify the officer is of good character & entitled  
to belief and credit.

J. L. Watts

Clerk of the Court, Cherokee County, North Carolina



Affidavit of Witness

State of North Carolina

County of Cherokee

Personally appeared Before me a J. P.  
M. M. Hawkins

Who after Being by me duly sworn  
States that he is 67 years of age and a citizen  
of Cherokee County and State of North Carolina  
and his Postoffice address is Culherson  
and that he is Personally acquainted With  
Ellen Roberson Who is an applicant for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Indian  
Territory and affiant further States the  
Said Ellen Roberson is the identical Person  
Who Represents her self to Be in her  
application for citizenship in said  
Nation and that the Said Ellen Roberson  
is a Daughter of Mary Payne Who Was  
the Daughter of Alexander McDaniel and  
his wife Who was always Recognized  
as Cherokee Indian and has Drawn  
money from the United States govern-  
ment as such Cherokee Indian  
affiant further States that he has  
known the Said Ellen Roberson for  
40 years and knows she is and  
has been Recognized and treated by  
her Neighbors acquaintances as the

Public generally as a Person having  
Cherokee Indian Blood and that the  
Complexion and Physical appearance  
of Said Ellen Robinson indicates that  
She is of Indian Blood that from the  
above facts and circumstances affiant  
States he has every reason to believe and  
Do Believe that Said Ellen Robinson is  
of Cherokee Indian Blood affiant  
further States he has the interest in the  
Prosecution of the Claim of Ellen Robinson  
to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
J. G. P. in in H. S. King

Subscribed and Sworn to Before me  
a J. P. in and for Cherokee Co.

This August 27, 1896 and I further certify  
that I am well acquainted with the  
Said M. M. Hawkins and know  
him to Be a Person of credibility truth  
and veracity

Jas. L. Danner  
Justice of the peace



Application for citizen ship  
To Hon Henry L. Dawes Frank C. Smith  
Archibald S. McKinnon Thomas B. Calumet  
and Alexander B. Montgomery and the  
States Commissioners authorized by  
an act of congress of June 4 1874 to hear  
and determine claims for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation the undersigned  
Ellen Roberson who was formerly  
Ellen Payne makes this application  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
in the Indian Territory as a Cherokee  
Indian by blood in accordance with  
an act of congress and the laws  
of the Cherokee Nation and respectfully  
submits the following facts as the  
grounds of this claim to wit that she  
is the daughter of Mary Payne who  
was the daughter of Thomas and  
Catherine Raper who was the daughter  
of Alexander McDaniel and his wife  
who your Petitioner firmly believes  
was Cherokee Indian by blood and  
duly acknowledged member of the  
Cherokee tribe of Indians and from  
whom Petitioner derived her Indian  
blood entitling her to citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation that the undersigned



of said ancestors should be found  
to appear on the Census Roll on the Cherokee  
East of the Mississippi River claimant  
is a Regular Desendent from Alexander  
McDaniel and his Wife. Who was  
acknowledged as such Cherokee by the  
tribe. your Petitioner is 46 years of age  
her Postoffice is Cullerson NC and  
her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian  
Blood is as follows

# 1021 Malag Roll 1848 Relation

	age	Daughter of
Ellen Robinson	46	Head of family
Martha Robinson	21	Daughter
Lizzie Robinson	16	Daughter
Sarah Robinson	13	Daughter
Walter Robinson	17	Son

your Petitioner here with due and true  
Proofs of this application and  
Respectfully awaits its determination  
State of North Carolina County of Cherokee  
you do swear that the facts set forth  
in the above and foregoing Petition  
are true to the Best of your knowledge  
and Belief. So help you God.

Ellen Robinson

Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
this August 28. 1896 and I hereby certify  
that Petitioner is known to me as  
the identical Person Represented in

her Petition and is a person of good  
Character and ~~worth~~ of credit  
J. C. Deunee  
Justice of the peace

State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

I, D. L. Watts, Clerk Superior Court in  
and for said County and State hereby certify  
that J. C. Deunee whose genuine signature  
appears to the foregoing instrument is an acting  
Justice of the Peace for said County and Commissioned  
and sworn, and that his official acts are entitled  
to full faith and credit.

Witness my hand and official seal this 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of September, 1896.

D. L. Watts  
Clerk Superior Court  
Cherokee County, N.C.

**End**



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named in in the above and foregoing  
application and that I have had read  
and explained to me the above and  
foregoing application and understand the  
facts therein stated. The facts therein  
stated are true so help me God.  
Nickodemus <sup>his</sup> Samsnick

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 28 day of Aug 1889  
C. W. Parker  
Justice of Peace

State of North Carolina Duane County  
Personally appeared before me William Samsnick  
& John Samsnick and make say that  
they know this said Nickodemus Samsnick  
to be the identical person that is  
making application and that he  
is of Indian blood.

Sworn to before me this 28 day of  
1889  
C. W. Parker

My commission expires the 1st of the month of  
is on file in my office

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

The foregoing Swain County, is adjudged Swain and  
Justice of the Peace of Swain County, is adjudged Swain and  
I, P. N. Snow, Clerk of the Superior Court of Swain County, do  
herby certify that G. W. Davis was, at the time of signing the foregoing  
certificate, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Swain  
and State of North Carolina, and that his signature thereto is in his own proper handwriting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix  
my official seal, this 3 day of Sept

A. D. 1894

P. N. Snow  
Clerk Superior Court.



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Wardman Sawyer

v.

Edmund Chastain

FILED SEPT. 8. 1891

A. S. McKENNON

COM'R

Refused

Byron & Co.

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Application for Citizenship  
To the Hon Laws Commission.  
I, James Gam applicant or petitioner  
do hereby make application for himself with  
his family and asks to be admitted and  
enrolled as citizens or members of the  
Cherokee Nation or Tribe of  
Indians in the Indian Territory and in  
support of said application respectfully  
alleges and states as follows: -  
Applicant is a Cherokee Indian by  
blood. he is enrolled on the roll  
made in 1835 and made roll and  
on the roster roll. My Father was  
Ely, a great Doonook and was on the  
original roll. My wife was daughter of  
Hamasane and is enrolled on the roll of  
1835 and made roll as member of the  
Cherokee Tribe or Nation or Band of Cherokee  
Indians. Who was a member of the  
Cherokee Tribe of Indians and an Indian  
by blood recognized and enrolled as  
member of the Cherokee Tribe of  
Indians in the State of North Carolina.  
That I have the following children of  
the same and as stated herein for  
whom as parent and guardian I  
also make application to be admitted

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

*Swain*

*M. Swain*

County, is adjudged to be a Justice of the Peace, and

Clerk of the Superior Court of said County, do

that *John W. Darnall* was, at the time of signing the foregoing

and following

*Mr. Harrison Darnall 61* father  
*Mar. Darnall 61* mother  
*John Darnall 8* Son  
*John Darnall 4* Daughter

My office address is Cherokee, N.C.  
Wherefore your officious prays that they  
with their minor children be admitted and  
admitted as members or citizens of the  
Cherokee Tribe or Nation of Indians in the  
Indian Territory.

Respectfully Submitted  
*Wickadomis Darnall*

State of North Carolina County  
of *Swain*. The affiant being first  
duly sworn according to law on oath  
deposed that my name is *Wickadomis Darnall*  
and I am the father of the above



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, SWAIN COUNTY

Before me the undersigned J. H. Shaw, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County of Swain and State aforesaid came J. S. Elmore, Postmaster at Bryson City, North Carolina who being by me duly sworn deposes and says; that he has this day lawfully registered mail to Hon. Samuel H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, a true copy of the application for Citizenship of Nico de munn with the evidence annexed. That Affiant has in his possession to mail to the Commission at Wattis, Indian Territory the application and the evidence of the said ..... Nico de munn for Citizenship in said Territory. This 20th day of August 1896.

J. H. Shaw (V. 411)

Subscribed before me  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1896  
[Signature]

**End**

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No. 2968 405-

Ex parte

Josely Lyfegott Seland

application for citizenship  
in Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896 \*

A. S. MCKENNON

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Refused

Wm. Lyfegott Seland

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at Murphy & Co  
Registered Letter Parcel No. 21 Rec'd Sept 5 1896  
of E B Norvell  
One letter  
addressed to Principal Chief Cherokee Nation  
Tahlequah I. T.  
M. L. Manney P. M.

State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

I John W. H. Aley do solemnly  
swear that on the 5th day of September 1896, I saw  
E. B. Powell, attorney, register a package  
at the post office in Murphy, addressed to the  
Principal Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Nation  
at Tahlequah Indian Territory, and that  
registry receipt No. 91 is a receipt for  
same. I saw M. L. Mawney sign same  
and know that he is the postmaster at  
Murphy Cherokee County North Carolina.  
I further saw that said package contained  
copies of the application of Fidelity L. Woodard  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation &  
copies of the affidavit of Thomas Payne in  
support of same. I am not related by  
blood nor marriage to Fidelity L. Woodard  
and have no interest, near or remote  
in her application.

J. W. H. Aley

Subscribed & sworn to before me this Sept  
5th 1896, & I certify that applicant is of good  
character & entitled to being a resident  
D. L. Watts

Deputy Superior Court for Cherokee  
County North Carolina



North Carolina  
Circuit Court

Thomas Payne being duly sworn says that he knows Jesse Loggins Garland who is making application to become a citizen of the Cherokee Nation. That said Jesse Loggins Garland is ~~the~~ a son of Harmon Garland and Elizabeth Garland. The Elizabeth Garland being a daughter of James Roper and Susan Roper (known as Cousin Roper) who was a daughter of Alexander M<sup>r</sup> Daniel says that he knows Elizabeth Garland and Susan Roper (Cousin Roper) that Susan Roper (Cousin Roper) was a half blood Cherokee Indian and Elizabeth Garland is one fourth Cherokee Indian making applicant one eighth Cherokee Indian. That the ancestors of applicant were enrolled on the census rolls of the Cherokee Indians, East of the Mississippi river for 1835, 1848, 1851, 1852. the said Elizabeth Garland being on the Wallons Roll. Applicant is distinctly related to applicant: but has no interest near or remote in his application, & that he makes this affidavit freely without reward or the hope of reward.

Thomas Payne

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 5th day of September 1896. at the agency in 3rd and 4th streets of Baker

D. L. Waller

Christianity Court, Cherokee Co. North Carolina

UNITED STATES,  
Indian Territory. } Application for Citizenship.

To the Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. McKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1896, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Jesley Lafayette Garland makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That he is the son of Samuel Garland and Elizabeth Garland the said Elizabeth Garland being a daughter of James Raper and Susan Raper (known as Sooty Raper), the said Susan Raper being a daughter of Alexander M. David wife who your petitioner firmly believes ~~was~~ were Cherokee Indians by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived his Indian blood entitling him to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokee Indians ~~sent to the Mississippi River for~~ 1835, 1845, 1851, 1852. The said Elizabeth Garland being enrolled on the Roll of 1848. Applicant says that he has never abandoned his membership and rights as a Cherokee Indian, and is now and always has been ready and willing to become a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.

Your petitioner is 40 years of age, his postoffice address is Culberson, Cherokee Co. N.C. and his family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Jesley Lafayette Garland</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Husband &amp; Head of family</u>
<u>Amanda Garland</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>wife - white</u>
<u>Alonzo Garland</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Son of Applicant</u>
<u>Adeline L. Garland</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Daughter of applicant</u>
<u>Jessie M. Garland</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Daughter of applicant</u>
<u>Flora C. Garland</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Daughter of applicant</u>

Whereupon applicant prays that he and his children be admitted as citizens and enrolled as such in the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully prays its termination.  
Jesley Lafayette Garland  
By Edmund Burtonwell his atty

STATE OF North Carolina, County of Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.  
Jesley Lafayette Garland  
John W. W. Atley  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in his petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.

D. L. Motter  
Clerk Superior Court for Cherokee  
County North Carolina

**End**



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Nation's No. 681

Commission's No.

In re Application of

*Catherine Taylor*

Demurrer and Answer.  
FILED SEPT. 2 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

COM 'R'

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners,

In the matter of application of

*Catherine Taylor*

Nation's No. *687*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that *Alexander M. Hamilton wife*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive *her* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *was* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined, that *his* name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory. *as attested by*

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hastings & Barnard* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*John L. Adair*

day of

*Sept.*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



No 9969 406  
Ex parte  
Catherine Taylor  
Application for Citizenship  
in Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. ☆  
A. S. McKENNON  
COM 'R'

Respect

Wm. D. D. L.

State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

I, John H. H. Ashley do solemnly swear that on the 5th day of September 1896 I saw E. B. Norrell register a package at the post office in Murphy, Cherokee County, North Carolina, addressed to the Principal Governor or Chief of the Cherokee Nation at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, and that registering receipt No 92 hereto attached is a receipt for same. I further swear I saw M. L. Mauney sign said receipt. I know the fact to be that M. L. Mauney is postmaster, at Murphy, Cherokee County, North Carolina. I further swear that said package contained copy of application of Catherine Taylor, and copies of affidavits of Thomas Payne in support of same. I am not related by blood or marriage to Catherine Taylor the applicant, and have no interest, near or remote in same  
John H. H. Ashley

Subscribed & sworn to before me this Sept-  
5th 1896 & I certify that signing is of good character  
& entitled to belief & credit.

J. S. Carter  
Clerk Superior Court-  
Cherokee County, North Carolina

Erskine  
County

I Thomas Payne being duly sworn say  
that he knows Catherine Taylor who is  
making application to become a citizen of  
the Cherokee Nation. The said Catherine Taylor  
is a daughter of Elizabeth Payne, and wife  
Mary Payne. The said Mary Payne being  
a daughter of Thomas Roper and Catherine  
Roper, nee Catherine McDaniel. That the  
ancestors of the said Catherine Taylor were  
duly enrolled on the Census Roll of the  
Cherokee Indians for the years of 1835, 1848,  
1851, 1854. That the said Mary Payne being  
enrolled on the Mallow Roll of 1848 as  
number 1021. Affiant says that he is  
brother of the applicant. Affiant's age  
is 51. Affiant has no interest in  
this claim from the financial standpoint  
and the affidavit is made freely without  
remorse or the hope of reward. Affiant's  
Post Office is Murphy, Cherokee County,  
North Carolina.

Thomas Payne

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
5th day of September 1896

J. V. Watts

Clk. Superior Court for Cherokee  
County North Carolina





ED STATES,

Indian Territory.

Application for Citizenship.

To the Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARISTIDE, AUGUSTUS S. WALKER, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1906, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Leathem Taylor makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim:

That she is the daughter of Blakely Payne and Mary Payne one of the said Mary Payne is a daughter of Thomas Payne and Leathem Payne (see Leathem Payne).

Cherokee Indian by blood and is a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner is entitled to Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found on the rolls of the Cherokee Indians. East get Mississippi River for 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 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Ex parte

Minerva Leford

application for  
Citizenship in  
Cherokee Nation

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A. S. McKENNON

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Rejected

Murphy, U.S.

State of North Carolina,  
Cherokee County.

I John W W Ashley do solemnly  
swear that on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1896,  
I saw E. B. Norvell attorney require a  
package at the post office in Murphy  
addressed to the Principal Governor or  
Chief of the Cherokee Nation, at Tahlequah  
Indian Territory; and that requiring receipt  
No 93 is a receipt for same.

I saw M. L. Mauney sign same  
and know that he is the postmaster at  
Murphy, Cherokee County, North  
Carolina. I further swear that said  
package contained <sup>copy of</sup> the Application of  
Minerva Sedford for Citizenship in  
the Cherokee Nation and copy of the  
affidavit of Thomas Payne in support of  
same. I am not related by blood nor  
marriage to Minerva Sedford and have  
no interest near or remote in her  
application.

John W. W. Ashley

Subscribed & sworn to before me this Sept-  
5<sup>th</sup> 1896. & I certify that applicant is of good  
character & entitled to being a credit.

D. L. Watts

Clark Superior Court -  
Cherokee County, North Carolina

Carolina  
County

I Thomas Payne being duly sworn says  
that he knows Minerva Ledyford, who is  
making application to become a citizen  
of the Cherokee Nation. the said Minerva Ledyford  
is a daughter of Jennette Rodgers, who is  
a daughter of Mary Payne, & Ebenezer  
Payne. the said Mary Payne being a  
daughter of Thomas Raper, and Catherine  
Raper. ~~and~~ Catherine M<sup>rs</sup> Daniel. that the  
ancestors of the said Catherine Taylor were  
duly enrolled on the census Rolls of the  
Cherokee Indians for the years of 1835: 1848.  
1851. 1852. that the said Mary Payne being  
enrolled on the Waller Roll of 1848  
as number 1021. Affiant says that he  
is an Uncle of the applicant. Affiant's age  
is 51. - Affiant has no interest in this  
claim from a financial standpoint. & that  
this affidavit is made freely without  
reward or the hope of reward. Affiant's  
Post Office is Murphy, Cherokee County,  
North Carolina.

Thomas Payne

Deposited & sworn to before me this  
5th day of September 1896

L. L. Watts

Notary Public for  
Cherokee County, North Carolina



UNITED STATES,  
Indian Territory.

Application for Citizenship.

To the Honorable HENRY L. DAWES, FRANK C. ARMSTRONG, ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON, THOMAS B. CABANISS and ALEXANDER B. MONTGOMERY, United States Commissioners authorized by an act of Congress of June 4th, 1890, to hear and determine Claims for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

The undersigned Minerva Sedford makes this application for admission to Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, in the Indian Territory, as a Cherokee Indian by blood, in accordance with the acts of Congress and the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and respectfully submits the following facts as the grounds of this claim, to-wit:

That she is the daughter of Samuel Rodgers who is a son of Mary Payne and Elabey Payne, the said Mary Payne being a daughter of Thomas Payne and Rebecca Payne (na Leathin McDaniel) who your petitioner firmly believes were

Cherokee Indians by blood and a duly acknowledged member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians and from whom petitioner derived her Indian blood entitling her to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

That the names of said ancestors should be found to appear on the census rolls of the Cherokee Indians East of the Mississippi River for 1835, 1845, 1854, 1857, Mary Payne being enrolled on the Mary Roll of 1857 a number 1024. Applicant says that she has never abandoned her membership and rights as a Cherokee Indian, and is now and always has been ready and willing to become a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.

Your petitioner is 22 years of age, his postoffice address is Culberson, Indian Territory and her family by virtue of Cherokee Indian blood is as follows:

NAMES.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.
<u>Tobias V. Sedford</u>	<u>23 1/2</u>	<u>Husband</u> white
<u>Minerva Sedford</u>	<u>22 1/2</u>	<u>Wife</u> applicant
<u>Socra Sedford</u>	<u>3 1/2</u>	<u>Daughter</u> of applicant
<u>Minnie Sedford</u>	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>Daughter</u> of applicant

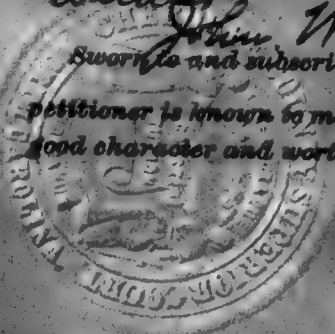
Wherefore applicant prays that she and her children may be admitted and enrolled Citizens of the Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory.

Your petitioner herewith submits the proof of this application and respectfully requests its consideration.

STATE OF North Carolina, County of Cherokee

You do swear that the facts set forth in the above and foregoing petition are true to the best of your knowledge and belief, so help you God.

Witness my hand and seal this 5th day of Sept 1896, and I hereby certify that petitioner is known to me as the identical person represented in her petition and is a person of good character and worthy of credit.



John H. W. Askey  
Notary Public  
Cherokee County, North Carolina

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Nation's No. 679

Commission's No

In re Application of

*Minerva Leford*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 9 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Minerva Deford*

Nation's No. *679*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Alfred M. Daniel* *sworn*

through whom the petitioner *all* *has* claims to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *is* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory *as citizens thereof*.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings Hutchings & Bannister* Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *John L. Adair*  
*7* day of *Sept* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



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Nation's No. 678

Commission's No

In re Application of

*Isiah Roberson*

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 9 1896

A. S. McKENNON

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sarah Robinson*

Nation's No. *678*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that *Alexander McDonald* through whom the petitioner *claims* to derive *her* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, *is* not now, and *has* not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that *his* name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither *he* nor any of *his* ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory *as citizens thereof*.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hutchings, Heston & Bausch*

Attorneys

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*John L. Adair*

day of

*Sept*

1896.

*D. J. Ball*

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Ex parte

Robinson

Application for Citizenship  
in Cherokee Nation

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Accepted

Murphy, N. C.

REGISTRY RECEIPT.

Post Office at

Murphy, N.C.

Registered

Letter  
Parcel

No.

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Rec'd

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of

W. D. Groce  
One piece

addressed to

Principal Chief Cherokee Nation  
Cherokee  
in Tahlequah, Okla.



State of North Carolina.  
Cherokee County.

I John W. Ashley, do solemnly swear  
On the 5th day of September 1896, I saw  
Edmund W. Norrell attorney, request  
a package addressed to Principal Governor  
or Chief of the Cherokee Nation, at Fellingmash  
Indian Territory, and the requesting receipt  
to 89 is a receipt for same. I saw  
M. L. Manning sign said receipt and know  
that he is the postmaster at Murphy,  
Cherokee County, North Carolina.

I further swear that said package  
contained copy of the application of  
Sarah Robinson for citizenship in Cherokee  
Nation with affidavit of Hyeckiah  
D. Hyatt in support of same. I am  
not related by blood or marriage to  
Mary Robinson and have no interest  
real or remote in her application.

John W. Ashley

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 5th  
day of September 1896. I certify that  
affiant is of good credit and entitled  
to credit & belief.

D. E. Watts  
Clerk Superior Court for  
Cherokee County, North Carolina

State of North Carolina - Charlotte County.  
I D. L. Watts Clerk of the Superior Court  
do and for the County of Charlotte and State  
of North Carolina, do hereby certify that  
J. B. Anderson is acting Justice of the Peace  
sworn for said County and State, duly Com-  
missioned and sworn, and that all his  
official acts as such are entitled to  
full faith and Credit.

Witness my hand and official seal at  
office in Murphy on this the 29 day of  
August 1896

D. L. Watts Clerk Sup Court  
By D. W. Duvess Sup Clerk.



Affidavit of Witness  
State of North Carolina

County of Cherokee

Personally Before me as Justice of the Peace  
Hesekiah B. Hyatt

Who after Being by me duly sworn states that  
he is of the age of 91 years of age and a citizen  
of <sup>North Carolina</sup> Cherokee County and State of North Carolina  
and that he is personally acquainted with  
Sarah Robinson who is an applicant for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation Indian  
Territory and affiant further states that  
the said Sarah Robinson is the identical  
Person she represents herself to be in her  
application for Citizenship in said Nation  
and that the said Sarah Robinson  
is a Daughter of Mary Payne who is  
the Daughter of Thomas and Catherine  
Raper who always has been recognized  
as Cherokee Indians and has drawn  
money from the United States Government  
as such Cherokee Indians and affiant further  
states that he has known the said  
Robinson for 40 years and that  
she is and has been a member  
of his neighborhood  
Public School



Circumstance Affiant States he has every  
Reason to Believe and Does Believe the Said  
Sarah Roberson is of Cherokee Indian  
Blood Affiant further States he has  
no interest whatever in the Prosecution of  
the Claim of Sarah Roberson to citizen-  
ship in the Cherokee Nation &c.

Hezekiah B. Hyatt

Subscribed and Sworn to Before me a

August 29, 1896

and I further certify that I am well  
acquainted with the said Hezekiah

B. Hyatt

and know

him to be a Person of Credibility and of  
Truth and veracity

J. B. Anderson  
Justice of the Peace

Application for citizenship.

To the Hon Henry L Dawes Archibald S  
McKennon Frank C Armstrong Thomas  
B Cahanniss and Alexander B  
Montgomery United States commissioners  
Authorized by an act of Congress of June  
4<sup>th</sup> 1896 to hear and determine Claims for  
Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.  
The undersigned Sarah Roberson makes  
this application for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation in the Indian Territory  
as a Cherokee Indian by Blood in  
accordance With the acts of Congress and  
the Laws of the Cherokee Nation and  
Respectfully Submits the following facts  
as the grounds of this Claim to wit  
that she is the Daughter of Mary Payne  
Who was the Daughter of Catherine and  
Thomas Raper Catherine Raper was the  
Daughter of Alexander McDaniel and  
his wife Who was  $\frac{1}{2}$  Blood Cherokee  
Indians and duly acknowledged member  
of the Cherokee Trib of Indians and from  
Whom Petitioner Derived her Indian Blood  
entitling her to Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation that the names of ancestors should  
be found to appear on the Census Roll on  
Cherokees East of the Mississippi River  
Alexander McDaniel and his wife was  
Both citizens of the Indian Territory  
Cherokee Nation and Died there in 1834  
On May Roll 1848

your Petitioner is 43 years of age her Post office  
address is Cullherson Cherokee Co N.C  
and her Family by virtue of <sup>Cherokee</sup> Indian Blood  
is as follows

# 1021	Malay Poll 1848	Daughter of 1021
Sarah Roberson	43	Mother and Head of family
J R Roberson	42	Husband and White
Mary Roberson	22	Daughter
Edward Roberson	19	Son
Asco Roberson	16	Son
Thomas Roberson	13	Son
Lita Roberson	5	Daughter

your Petitioner here with Submits the  
Proofs of this Application and respectfully  
awaits it Determination

Sarah <sup>her</sup> Roberson,  
State of North Carolina County of  
Cherokee you Do swear that the facts set  
forth in the above and foregoing Petition  
are true to the Best of your knowledge and  
Belief So help you God

Sarah <sup>her</sup> Roberson  
Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
this August 28 1896 and I hereby certify  
that Petitioner is known to me as the  
identical Person Represented in her  
Petition and is a person of good  
Character and worthy of credit

J. B. Anderson  
Justice of the Peace



**End**

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Nation's No. 2688

Commission's No. ....

In re Application of

Thomas J. Guinn  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. ☆

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R.



Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. H. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Thos. J. Givins et al*

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2688*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and the legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, nor ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*John L. Adams*  
John L. Adams, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been duly sworn, states that the

matter contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adams*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *28* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

No. 24409

Application of  
Thos. J. Guinan

Charles H. Norton

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

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Refused

Enc. ans.

Charles H. Norton

Applications  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I., Y.,

To the Honorable Commission  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your petitioner  
this day makes this his applica-  
tion for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I., Y.,

in accordance with the  
Constitutions and laws  
and makes

the following statement of  
the grounds of this Application

That he is the lineal descen-  
dant of one John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
and he believes was once in  
bond on the rolls of Seclusion  
that the applicant your  
petitioner is the son of Sarah  
Quinn who was a daughter  
of Rebecca Williams who was  
the daughter of John Jackson  
the above named Cherokee Indian

and  
the undersigned hereby presents  
the above facts as lawful  
over



Grounds for this his  
 Application for Citizenship  
 in said Nation  
 My P & Address is Cleveland  
 County County Arkansas  
 Family as follows  
 Respt. Submitter

	Age	Sex	
1. John J. Quinn	34	M	
2. Sarah J. Quinn	34	F	Wife
3. John H. Quinn	15	M	Son
4. Willie Quinn	13	F	Daughter
5. Mary Quinn	11	M	Son
6. Daniel H. Quinn	9	M	Son
7. Martha J. Quinn	5	F	Daughter

in testimony of this  
 My Application returns  
 My signature hereto  
 this the 29th day of August  
 1894

Witness to this  
 John H. Williams  
 M. H. County  
 Thomas J. Quinn Jr.  
 M.H.

I have to and subscribed  
 before me this day and I Certify  
 that Affiant is a Respectable  
 person returns my name and  
 official signature this 29th  
 day of August 1894  
 M. H. County J.H.

State of Arkansas  
County of Conway  
Personally Came before  
the undersigned a Justice  
of the peace in and for the  
County and State above  
named.

Richard Shipp and Morgan  
Mills aged resp 54 & 58 years  
who on their Oath say that  
they have been acquainted  
with the Applicant all his  
life and know that his fam-  
ily Relations is as stated in  
his Application who have this  
day heard the same read  
over P O address is Cleveland  
Conway Co Arkansas  
this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1896

Attested  
W. L. Conley  
R. M. Shipp

R. M. Shipp  
Morgan<sup>is</sup> Mills  
Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of  
August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896  
W. L. Conley  
Justice of the peace

**End**



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Nation's No. 2706

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Thos. J. Grooming  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 8 1896.

A. S. McKENNEY

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Columbia, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Thos. J. Givins Jr.*  
*et al.*

Nation's No. *2706*

Commissioner's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurres, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Wm. L. Adair*, *Hutchings & Benedict*

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, deposes that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *23* day of *Sept.*

*D. J. Ball*



No 2465 410

Application of  
Thos. J. Guinn & Co  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896.  
A. S. McKENNON  
COM'Y

Rejected

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Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I.H.

To the Five Lower Commissioners  
Gentlemen

The undersigned, your Petitioner  
this day makes this his Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation &c

in accordance with the  
Constitution and Laws  
of said Nation

and makes the following  
Statement of the grounds of this  
his Application, viz

that he is the Lineal Descen-  
dant of one John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian.  
and he believes is born on the  
Hills of said Nation.

that the Applicant your Petitioner  
is the son of Sarah Quinn  
who was a daughter of Rebecca  
Williamson ~~the daughter of~~  
Rebecca Williamson <sup>being the</sup> daughter  
of John Jackson the above  
named Cherokee Indian.

the undersigned <sup>now</sup> hereby presents  
the above facts over

his Lawful Grounds  
for this his Application  
for Citizenship  
in said Nation  
My P & Address Cleveland  
Conway Arkansas  
Family Relations as follows  
(Next Submited)

Name of Applicant	
1	Thos J Guinn <sup>Applicant</sup>
2	Melinda Guinn <sup>Wife</sup>
	Wm A Guinn <sup>Son</sup>

in Testimony of this  
my Application witness my  
Signature hereunto  
this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August  
A.D. 1894  
Thos J Guinn <sup>his</sup>  
mark

Witness to Mark  
Thos J Guinn

J. H. Williams  
known and subscribed before me and I certify that  
the affiant is personally known to me and that  
he is a creditable person and so reputed in this  
community where he resides In testimony  
whereof witness my hand official signature  
Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> 1894

W. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace



State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

On this the 29<sup>th</sup> day  
August 1896

Personally Came  
before me the undersigned  
Authority a Justice of the  
Peace in and for the County  
and State before named,  
Blair H. Williams and  
John H. Williams to me well  
known to be respectable persons  
who being duly sworn  
say that they are personally  
acquainted with the Applicant  
and know that he is the  
son of Sarah Guins who is  
the reputed daughter of Rebecca  
Williams who is the reputed  
daughter of John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
Witness over names and seals  
this day and date last above  
written

John H. Williams  
Blair H. Williams

Sworn to and Subscribed  
before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1896  
W. L. Conley J.P.

**End**

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Nation's No. 2690

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Blodde T. Williams  
Et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896. ☆

A. S. MCKENNON

Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. R. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Beale T. Willigues  
et al*

Nation's No. *2690-*

Commission's No.

For citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That the Commission has no jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear among of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Anders P. Hildings* *Barclay* Attorneys.

John H. Allen, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
contents contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Bell*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

No 8664 411

Application of  
Blatt & Williams

Charles N. Williams

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

A. S. McKENNON

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Reflected

Charles N. Williams



Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. H.

To the Honorable Commissioners  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your Petitioner  
this day makes this his application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. H. in accordance with  
the Constitution and laws of  
said Nation.

And makes the following  
statement as the grounds of this  
his Application

that he is the son of William  
& Williams the said William &  
Williams being the son of  
Rebecca Williams, daughter  
of John Jackson a Cherokee  
Indian and belonging to  
said Tribe as the Applicant  
Believes the undersigned  
hereby presents the above facts  
as lawful grounds for this  
his Application for Citizenship  
in said Nation

Very P. O. Chevalina Gormay County  
Humbley Relations as follows  
(Over)

	Name			Applicant
1	Blake J. Williams	M	46	Applicant
2	Sarah A. Williams	F	45	Wife
3	James M. Williams	M	27	Son
4	Margaret Williams	F	24	Daughter
5	Casper R. Williams	M	27	Son
6	Jerome H. " "	M	22	Son
7	Sarah J. " "	F	19	Daughter
8	Mary A. Williams	F	17	" "
9	John D. Williams	M	14	Son
10	Lou E. Williams	F	12	Daughter
11	Mary A. Williams	F	10	" "
12	Nina L. " "	F	8	" "
13	Helen E. Williams	F	4	" "

In Testimony of this my  
Application return  
My hand and seal  
this the 29th day of  
August A.D. 1896

D. J. Williams Sub

Sworn to and Subscribed  
Before me this I certify that  
the Applicant is Personally Known  
to me to be a Reputable Person  
in the Community where he resides  
and that I am not interested  
in his Application  
Witness my official signature  
this August 29th 1896

J. L. Conley



State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally appeared before the  
Undersigned Authority Thomas  
J. Quinn and Riley S. Williams  
aged respectively 57 & 44 years  
who on their Oaths say that  
they are acquainted with  
the Applicant Blake S. Williams  
and know that he is the son  
of W. S. Williams who is the reputed  
son of Rebecca Williams who  
is reputed to be the daughter  
of John Jackson on whose  
account Citizenship is claimed  
and I certify that Affiants  
are credible & respectable  
persons and who state  
that they have no pecuniary  
interest in this Application

This Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 1896 R. S. Williams  
Witness to T. J. Quinn  
R. S. Williams  
W. H. Conley

Signed to and subscribed  
before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1896 W. H. Conley  
Justice of the  
Peace



**End**

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Applications  
of  
Atty Brinkley  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. \*

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Cleveland Ark

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Application  
For Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation 18  
To the Hon (Durs) Commission  
Gentlemen

the undersigned your Petitioner  
this day makes this his Application  
For Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation in accordance with the  
Constitution and laws of said  
Nation

and makes the following Statement  
of the grounds for this his  
Application viz.

that his wife is a lineal descen-  
dant of one John Jackson who  
was a Cherokee Indian and  
as he believes belonged to said  
Nation

that the Applicant your Petitioner  
would respectfully state that his wife  
is the daughter of Leroy Seroggins and  
his wife Julia and that said Julia  
Seroggins maiden name William  
she being the daughter of Thomas  
J. Williams whose mother was  
Rebecca Williams whose maiden  
name was Jackson  
she the said Rebecca Williams  
(over)

Being the daughter of John Jackson,  
the aforesaid Cherokee Indian  
but whose account citizenship is claimed  
The undersigned Juror Petitioner  
Hereby Presents the above facts  
as he believes them to be a lawful  
grounds for this his Application  
for Citizenship in said Nation  
(Respectfully Submitted)

to Address Center Ridge Ark.

No	Name	Age	Sex	Relationship
1	Alex Brinkley	37	M	Applicant
2	Julia "	35	F	Wife of Appl.
3	Martha "	14	F	Daughter
4	Bumpas "	14	M	Son
5	Mamie "	13	F	Son
6	Joseph "	9	M	"
7	Dove "	7	F	Daughter
8	Alex "	2	M	Son

Family Relations as above  
in Testimony of this May Affidavit  
Witness my hand and  
signature hereunto this Sept. 1st  
A.D. 1894 Alex Brinkley

Witness to me  
W. L. Conley

I Sworn to and Subscribed  
Before me this day and I  
Certify that the Affiant is personally  
known to me to be a credible and  
respectable person whose name  
and official seal signature  
this the 1st day of Sept. 1894  
W. L. Conley J.P.

State of Arkansas }  
County of Conway }  
Personally came before the  
Undersigned Authority  
John H and Leroy Williams  
Who being duly sworn says that  
they are acquainted with the  
Applicant and know that the  
Statement of his Application is true  
That his wife Julia is the Grand  
Daughter of Thomas Williams  
the Reputed Son of Rebecca Miller  
and whose maiden name was  
as they believe Jackson  
Daughter of John Jackson  
as claimed by the Applicant  
This the Sept. 1st 1896

John H. Williams

Leroy Williams

Sworn to and Subscribed  
Before me this the 1st day of  
September 1896

W L Conley  
Justice of the Peace



**End**

No 3467 4/3-

Application of  
John F. Williams

vs  
Charles Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

A. S. McKENNON

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Reflected

Clouds, etc.

Applications  
For Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. T. & Co.  
To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Commissioners  
Sentinels

The undersigned your petition  
in this day makes this his  
Applications for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation I T  
in accordance with Consti-  
tution and laws of same  
Nation

and makes the following  
Statement of the grounds of this  
his Applications To wit  
that as he believes he is a  
lineal descendant of one John  
Jackson who he believes was  
a Cherokee Indian and  
belonged to Saico Tribe and  
as bond its rolls

that he the applicant your  
petitioner is son of William D  
Williams whose mother was  
Rebecca Williams the said  
Rebecca Williams being the  
daughter of the above name  
a John Jackson  
the undersigned hereby (over)



Presents the above the above  
 facts as lawful grounds  
 for this his Application  
 for Citizenship in said nation  
 My P.O. Address is Center Ridge  
 Conway County Arkansas  
 My Family Relations as follows  
 Respectfully Submitted

No	Name	Age	Sex	Relationship
1	John F. Williams	52	M	Applicant
2	Martina J. Williams	52	F	Wife of Appl
3	Sarah E. "	31	F	Daughter
4	John V. "	19	M	Son
5	Enora J. "	12	F	Daughter
6	Harmon Williams	8	M	Son

In Testimony of this my  
 Application before me  
 given this the 29<sup>th</sup> day  
 of August A.D. 1896

John F. Williams

Saw and subscribed to before me  
 this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1896

W. H. Conley  
 Justice of the Peace

State of Arkansas }  
County of Conway }

Personally came before me  
the undersigned authority a  
Justice of the Peace within and  
for the County and State above  
mentioned Leroy Williams age 53  
and John H. Williams age 55 years  
who being duly sworn say that  
they are and have been <sup>most</sup> ~~well~~ <sup>thoroughly</sup> acquainted with John F. Williams  
the above named applicant  
and they know that he is a son of  
Mr. D. Williams whose mother was  
Rebecca Williams the reputed daughter  
of John Jackson who it is claimed  
was a Cherokee Indian  
Witness our hands and seals  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept A.D. 1896  
Garry H. Williams John H. Williams  
Sworn to and subscribed before me  
and I certify that the affiants are  
respectable persons and as credited  
in this Community in testimony whereof  
I witness my official signature  
this Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1896

W. L. Stanley J. P.

**End**



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No 2668 414

Application of

Leroy Mills

Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

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Repealed

Clinton, Ark -

Applications  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. T.

To the Hon. Dawes Commission  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your Petitioner  
this day makes this his application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. T.

in accordance with the Consti-  
tution and laws of said  
Nation

and makes the following statement  
of the grounds for this  
Application viz

that he is the legal claim-  
ant of one John Jackson who was  
a Cherokee Indian and as he  
believes belongs to some tribe  
or Nation that the applicant  
your Petitioner

is the grand son of John Williams  
whose Mother was Rebecca  
Williams she being the daughter  
of the said John Jackson  
the afore named Cherokee Indian  
The undersigned hereby presents  
the above facts

over



as lawful grounds for this his  
application  
for Citizenship in said nation  
his address is Cleveland Conway  
County Ark.  
Further relations as follows

No	Name	Age	Relationship
1	Leroy Mills	27	Applicant
2	Ada J Mills	5	Daughter

in testimony of this my  
application witness my hand  
and signature here to  
this 31 day August A.D. 1896

Witness to Mr. Leroy Mills  
W. L. Conly

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
and I certify that the affiant is  
personally known to me and that  
he is a creditable person and so  
reputed in this community where he  
resides.

In testimony whereof witness me  
my official signature

This Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1896

W. L. Conly  
Justice of the Peace

State of Arkansas  
County of Conway }

Personally Appeared before me  
the undersigned a Justice of the peace  
in and for the County and State  
aforesaid Richard Shipp and  
Leroy Williams aged 54 & 53 years  
who on their oath say that they are  
acquainted with the applicant  
and know that he is related as  
set forth in his application

That they are not pecuniarily interested  
in this claim That their P.O. address  
is Cleveland Conway Co Ark.

This Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1896 R M Shipp  
Leroy Williams

Sworn to and subscribed to before  
me and I certify that I am not  
interested in this claim That the  
affiants are reputable persons So  
considered in this Community Testimony  
whereof witness my official signature  
This Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1896

H. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace

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Nation's No. 2703 -  
Commission's No. 414

In re Application of

Samy Mills  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 14 1896. ☆

→ A. S. MCKENNON ←

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Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Columbia, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Erroy Mills et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2703*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Jackson* through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear in any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

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Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hatchings, Hatchings, Boush* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

*John L. Adair*  
*28* day of *Sept* 1884  
*D. J. Ball*

**End**

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Nation's No. 2691-

Commission's No

In re Application of

Sam H. Williams  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

V. S. McFENNON

Before the Honorable, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. R. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sam J. Williams  
et al*

Nation's No. *2691*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

*Anding, Rudings, Bannist* Attorneys.

*John J. Allen*, Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
contents contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1896.

*John L. Davis*  
*D. J. Ball*

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No 2769 415

Application of  
Dan H. Williams

for  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

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Rejected

Rejected on error

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Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I &

To the Honorable Commissioners  
herein

The undersigned your petitioner  
on this day makes his his  
Application for citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation I. &  
in accordance with the Con-  
stitution and laws of said  
Nation

And makes the following  
Statement of the grounds of  
this his Application  
that he is the son of Thos J  
Williams who is the lawful  
descendant of One John Jack  
son who the undersigned  
fully believes was an India-  
n belonging to said Tribe  
the undersigned hereby pre-  
sents the above facts as  
Lawful grounds for this his  
Application for citizenship  
in said Nation Respectfully  
Submitted

P O Address Carter Ridge  
Conway County

Age 41 years  
Family Relations  
As follows

No	Name	Sex	Age	Relations
1	Daniel W. Williams	M	41	Applicant
2	Mary L. Williams	F	41	Wife of applicant
3	John H. Williams	M	22	Son
4	Ellen A. Williams	F	18	Daughter
5	Polly J. Williams	F	15	Daughter
6	Joseph B. Williams	M	18	Son
7	Ann C. " "	F	11	Daughter
8	Orison " "	F	8	" "
9	Thos J. Williams	M	5	Son
10	Lewis Williams	F	8	Daughter
11	Suburban Williams	F	1	Daughter
	Charles Williams	M	14	Nephew

in witness of  
application  
for my name  
the 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of Aug 1876

Witness to Applicant  
Signature

SWAT

Daniel W. Williams  
Sworn and subscribed to before me  
this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. A.D. 1876

W. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace

State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally came before the  
undersigned authority a Justice  
of the Peace within and for the County  
and State aforesaid Leroy Williams  
and John H. Williams aged resp.  
53 and 55 years personally known  
to me to be respectable persons  
and who being duly sworn each  
for himself says that he is  
brother to and personally acquaint-  
ed with the Applicant David  
W. Williams and know that he  
is the son of Thos. J. Williams  
who is the reputed son of  
Rebecca Williams who was  
daughter of John Jackson  
a Cherokee Indian and said to be  
born on the rolls of said nation.  
Their P.O. address Cleveland  
Conway Co Ark. Leroy Williams  
This John H. Williams  
Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1874

- over -



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Collection of

Sam H. Williams

Charles Nelson

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

MA. S. MCKENNEY

COM'Y

Reflected

Reflected over

Chelmsford, 1896

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1896  
W. L. Conley  
J.P.

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Nation's No. 2707  
Commission's No. 415

In re Application of

San. H. Williams  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 27 1896. ☆

→ A. S. MCKENNON ←

COM'R -

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Sam W. Willoughby*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2707*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Harding, Hutchings & Burtch* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

*John L. Adair*  
23 day of Sept. 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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**End**

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No 8148 416

James M.  
Sengstacken  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 189. ☆

✻A. S. MCKENNON✻

COM 'R -

By order

Chuland, Orto -

There were not very many  
August 5-96. Ladies of the day  
threw to bid Mr. Kennedy

Let Congress have  
power to amend and control  
before the state should pass it



Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. T.

To the Honorable Commission  
Gentlemen

I hereby undersigned your Petitioner  
this day makes this his  
Application for Citizenship  
in the Cherokee Nation &  
in accordance with the  
Constitution and Laws of  
said Nation

And makes the following  
grounds for this his application

1st. That his wife was  
he believes is a lineal descendant  
out of one John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
and belonged to said  
Tribe or Nations  
that your petitioner's wife  
was Catherine McCoy daughter  
of Pulco A. McCoy  
whose mother was a daughter  
of the above named John  
Jackson a member of the  
Cherokee Nation

The undersigned hereby  
presents the above facts as  
over

As he believes them to  
 believe them to be  
 as Lawful grounds for  
 this his Application for  
 Citizenship in said Nation  
 & address Cleveland  
 Conway County Arkansas  
 Family Relations as follows  
 Name of Applicant

1	James M. Serogg	40	in	Applicant
2	Sarah L. Serogg	40	&	Wife
3	John Serogg	20	the	Son
4	Laura Serogg	14	&	Daughter
5	Harrison	7	the	Son
6	William	5	&	Daughter
7	Julius	8	&	"
8	Min	1	the	"

in Testimony of this  
 my Application

Witness my signature  
 hereunto this the 29th  
 day of August 1896

James M. Serogg

Sworn to and Subscribed  
 Before me this 29 day of August  
 1896 and I Certify that the  
 Applicant is a Respectable and  
 Credible person

W. L. Gentry J. P.



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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, 1896 and I hereby  
certify that the above named affiants  
are creditable persons so reputed to be  
in this County where they live  
witness my official signature

This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, 1896

W. H. Conley

Justice of the Peace

State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally appeared before me the  
undersigned authority a Justice of the Peace  
within and for the County and State of Arkansas  
Jerry Williams and John H. Williams aged  
resp. 53 and 55 years who on their  
oath say that they are acquainted  
with applicant and that he is related  
as stated in his application  
That they are not pecuniarily inter-  
ested in this claim

That their P.O. address is Cleveland  
Conway Co Ark Jerry Williams  
John H. Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
Sept, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1896 and I certify that the  
affiants are respectable persons  
so credited in this County witness my  
official signature

W. H. Conley

Justice of the Peace



State of Ark.  
County of Conway  
on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1896 Personally Came  
Before the undersigned, authority  
a justice of the peace  
Julia A. McCoy who being  
duly sworn says that she  
is the Mother of Sarah H. Scraggins  
the Applicant's Wife on whose  
account Citizenship is claimed  
and that she the said  
Julia A. McCoy is the daughter  
of Rebecca Williams who  
was the daughter of John  
Jackson this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1896. Julia A. McCoy  
Witness to Julia W. Leouly

I, J. M. Scraggins  
Sworn to and subscribed  
Before me the date above mentioned.  
W. L. Leouly, J. P.  
~~Notary Public~~

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No 8148-416  
Accepted  
J. M. Scraggins  
Sarah H. Scraggins  
Charles N. N. N.  
FILED SEPT. 8. 1896  
A. S. MCKENNON  
COM 'R-6  
Accepted  
Charles N. N.

**End**

417



No 8071 #17

Application of  
~~John H. Williams~~  
G. W. Kears  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896 ☆

→A. S. McKENNON←

COM'R -

Rejected

Cleveland, Oct 6 -

of August 1890  
S. M. Kieiser  
Applicant  
down to land light-warden's  
before his trial 20th Aug.  
August 1890 N. A. Bondy J. A.

State of Ark  
County of Conway }  
Personally came before the  
undersigned Authority J. H. Williams  
and Leroy Williams to me  
well known as reputable citizens  
both being duly sworn say  
that they are aged resp.  
as follows 55 and 53 years  
that their P. O. address is Southan  
and Cleveland Ark.  
and that they are each of  
them acquainted with the  
above named Applicant George W.  
Kiser and know that he is  
the grand son of Thos J. Williams.  
(The said Thos J. Williams being  
the son of Rebecca Williams  
whose father was John Jackson  
on whose account the Applicant  
bases his Application)  
and that they are not primarily  
interested in this Application  
that the Applicant is their  
nephew and that they are  
able to testify as to his  
relationship as above  
Set forth (over)

the above and foregoing  
Oversight Statute is true  
as the venerable believe  
Witness our hands this Aug<sup>r</sup>  
29<sup>th</sup> 1894

Witness to Signatures  
M. L. Conley

John H. Williams  
Leroy Williams

I now to and subscribed  
before me and I certify  
that each of the applicants  
fully understood the contents  
of this their Affidavit  
before the execution of the  
same in testimony  
whereof I have my official  
signature this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
August A.D. 1894

M. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace



Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation &c

To the Honorable Commissioners to  
Said Nation

The undersigned John Williams  
this day makes this his Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
in accordance with  
the Constitution and Laws  
of said Nation.

And makes the following State-  
ment as the grounds of his  
Application

That he is a grand son of  
Thos J. Williams and his  
descendant of one John  
Jackson who the undersigned  
believes was a Cherokee Indian  
and belonged to said Nation  
and whose name appears  
as he believes on its rolls  
the undersigned hereby  
presents the above facts  
as lawful grounds for this  
his Application for citizenship  
in said Nation

My P.O. address is Cleveland  
Goway County Ark

# Family Relation as follows

Applicant Name			Age			Relationship		
1	George F. Kiser	44	31	31	31	Applicant		
2	Esther Kiser	47	31	31	31	Wife of Applicant		
3	Clara A. Kiser	44	14	14	14	Daughter		
4	Stella Kiser	44	4	4	4	" "		
5	John O. Kiser	44	3	3	3	" "		
6	Laura A. Kiser	47	2	2	2	Daughter		

is testimony of this my  
 Application before me on the 29 day  
 of August 1896

J. W. Kiser  
 Applicant  
 Sworn to and subscribed to  
 before me this the 29th day  
 of August 1896 W. L. Kiser J. P.

No 2077 417-

Application of

George F. Kiser

W. L. Kiser

Charles Kiser

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

A. S. McKENNON

COM'Y

Accepted

Clarence, Ark -

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Nation's No. 9683  
Commission's No. 417

In re Application of

G. W. Kissin  
et al

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McFARLANE

Clerk



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*J. H. Kissin et al*

Nation's No. *2685-*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hatchings, Hatchings & Bondurant* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*S. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**

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No 8472

Application of  
Hannah M Watkins  
H

Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1890  
A. S. McFERRIN

Refused

Concluded, also -

Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. Y.  
To the Hon. Commission-  
Gentlemen

The undersigned, your Petitioner  
this day makes this her applica-  
tion for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation Ind. Terr.  
in accordance with the Constitu-  
tion and laws of said Nation  
and makes the following  
Statement as the grounds of this  
her Application viz  
That she is the daughter of  
Sarah Bruno who was the  
daughter of Rebecca Williams  
who was the daughter of  
Rebecca Jackson who was  
a Cherokee Indian and was in-  
dian belonged to said tribe  
I believe. The undersigned  
hereby presents the above facts  
as lawful grounds for this  
her Application for Citizens-  
hip in said Nation to address  
Center Ridge Conway County  
Ark. (Respectfully Submitted)  
Over

# Family as follows

## No Names of Applicant Family

1	Hannah Watkins	F	50	Applicant
2	Robert McIntosh	M	31	Son
3	Sarah S McIntosh	F	29	Daughter
4	Rebecca Watkins	F	24	Daughter
5	Georgiana Watkins	F	21	" "
6	Wm S Watkins	M	19	Son
7	Ann Maria Watkins	F	18	Daughter
8	Ella J Watkins	F	14	" "
9	Cynthia A " "	F	10	" "

in testimony of this  
my application  
testifies my hand and  
signature this 29th day  
of August 1896

Hannah W Watkins

Witness to Applicant  
Wm H. H. H. H. H.

John H. Williams

Sworn to and Subscribed  
before me this day  
and I certify that I fully  
acquainted the above  
with her debt and signed  
this August 29th 1896  
Justice of the Peace



State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally appeared before  
me the undersigned authority  
a Justice of the peace within and  
for the County and State above  
mentioned John F. Williams  
and John H. Williams aged  
Respect 52 and 55 years who being  
duly sworn say that they are  
acquainted with the applicant  
Hannah M. Haddkins who was  
the daughter of Rebecca Williams  
the said Rebecca Williams  
being the daughter of John Jackson  
the Cherokee Indian on whose  
account citizenship is claimed.  
witness our hands and seals  
this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept 1896

J. F. Williams

John H. Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me and I certify to the fact that applicants  
are reputable persons so considered  
in the community where they reside  
witness my official signature Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1896

W. L. Conley J.P.

No 8492

418

Application of

Hannah M. Watkins

vs

Charles Watkins

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896

A. S. McKINNEY

CLERK

Refused

Chadwick, and

Hannah M. Watkins

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Nation's No.

2689

Commission's No.

In re Application of

Thomas M. Watkins  
et al.

~~Denial~~ and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 2 1896. x

A. S. McKENNON

COTTON



Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Samuel M. Watkins*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2659*

Commission's No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that:

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *they* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation.

By *Hendings, Hutchings & Bantist* Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the *28* day of *Sept.* 1886.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**





419

Nation's No. 2701  
Commission's No. 419

In re Application of

Geo. J. Villanova  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896

A. S. McKENNON

COMMISSIONER

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McManis, T. B. Cottrell, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Gua G. Williams  
et al*

Nation No. *2701*  
Commissioner No.

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same, for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Jackson*

through whom the petitioner claims to derive his right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By

*Hutchins, Hulings & Denny*

S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation.

Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

*John L. Adair*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

*22* Sept. 1890  
*D. J. Ball*

No 8077

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Application

of  
George F. Williams  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. ☆

→ A. S. McKENNON ←

→ COM'Y ←

Refused

Cleveland, Ohio



Application  
for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I.T.

To the Hon. James C. McMillan  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your petitioner  
this day makes this his application  
for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I.T.

In accordance with the constitution  
and laws of said nation and makes  
the following <sup>statement</sup> ~~affirmation~~ for this his

application viz: That he is the son  
of Leray Williams who was the  
son of Thos. J. Williams who was  
the son of Nathan and Rebecca  
Williams said Rebecca Williams  
being the daughter of John and  
Rebecca Jackson who was a  
Cherokee Indian on whose account  
citizenship is claimed.

The undersigned hereby presents  
the above facts as lawful claims  
for this his application for citizen-  
ship in said nation P.O. address  
Cleveland Conway Co. Ark.  
Respy Submitted.

Family relations as follows

No	1	Geo. G. Williams	age	27	m
"	2	Isabell	"	23	f
"	3	Birdie J.	"	8	"
"	4	Wm J.	"	6	"
"	5	Sarah M.	"	4	"
"	6	Vernon M.	"	2	m

In testimony of this my application  
witness my hand and signature  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 1896  
George G. Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this day and I certify that the  
Applicant is a respectable person  
and entitled to credit in this community  
where he resides. witness my hand  
and official signature this the 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of Sept. 1896

M. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace



State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally appeared before me  
the undersigned authority  
a Justice of the peace within  
and for the County and State  
afore mentioned John H  
Williams aged 55 years and  
John F. Williams aged 57 years  
who being duly sworn says  
as follows that they are relatives  
of the applicant Geo. G. Williams  
and have known him all his  
life and know that he is the  
son of Leroy Williams Grand  
son of Thos. J. Williams whose  
mother was Rebecca Williams  
the said Rebecca Williams  
being the daughter of John Jackson  
the character Indian and unknown  
citizenship is claimed and they are not  
personally interested in this claim  
witness our hands and seals this  
1st day of Sept. 1896

John H. Williams  
J. F. Williams



Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 1896  
and I certify that the affiants are  
respectable persons and entitled  
to credit in this community where  
they reside.  
witness my hand and official sig-  
nature

W. L. Bonley  
Justice of the Peace

No 8492

419-

Applicant

George H. Miller

Charles Miller

FILED SEPT. 8 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

CLERK

Refused

Almond, Ark

**End**

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420  
No. 3074  
420

Application of  
Mr. M. McCoy

vs  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1891 \*

A. S. McKENNON

CLERK

Refused

Cherokee, Okla-

Application  
For Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation U.S.

To the Honorable Commissioners  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your Petitioner  
this day makes this his applica-  
tion for Citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation U.S.

in accordance with the  
Laws and Constitution of  
said Nation

and making the following  
statement of the grounds of  
this his Application

With

that he is a lineal descendant  
of one John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
and belonged to said  
Tribe or Nation

that the Applicant your  
Petitioner is the son of James  
A. McCoy whose mother was  
Rebecca Williams daughter  
of the above said  
John Jackson Member of  
said Tribe

The undersigned hereby

Presents the Above Facts  
 his Landlord's grounds For this  
 his Application  
 for Citizenship in Seneca  
 Nations  
 P to Address Cleveland  
 Ohio  
 Family Relation as  
 follows

No	Names of Applicant & Family	Age	Relation
1	Wm. M. Coy	30	Applicant
2	Caroline "	25	Wife
3	Julia A. "	5	Daughter

in Testimony of this  
 my Application & return  
 my signature hereto  
 this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August  
 1896

Witness to name of William M. Coy  
 W. L. Conley  
 Justice of the Peace

I have seen and subscribed to before me and  
 I certify that the applicant is personally  
 known to me and that he is a creditable  
 person and so reported in this community  
 where he resides in testimony whereof witness  
 my official signature this Aug 30<sup>th</sup> 1896

W. L. Conley  
 Justice of the Peace



State of Kansas  
County of Conway

Personally appeared before me  
the undersigned authority  
Leroy Williams aged 53 and John  
H. Williams aged 55 years  
Who on their oaths state that they  
are acquainted with the applicant  
Mr M. McCay who is the son  
reported son of Julia A. McCay  
whose mother was Rebecca Williams  
daughter of John Jackson the  
reported Cherokee Indian on  
whose account citizenship is claimed  
and I certify that applicants are  
credible and respectable persons  
and who state that they have no  
pecuniary interest in claim.  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. A.D. 1896

Leroy Williams John H. Williams

Sworn and subscribed to before me  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. A.D. 1896

John H. Williams

W. L. Lowry  
Justice of the Peace

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Nation's No. 2687

Commission's No

In re Application of

Wm M Mcleay  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer.

FILED SEPT. 28 1896.

A. S. McKENNON

~~Clerk~~

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabaniss, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*Wm M Mcleay et al*

Nation's No. *2687-*

Commission's No. ....

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the  
said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy,  
and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is*  
entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his *alleged* demurser, but insisting upon the same for answer to said appli-  
cation, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right  
to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since  
the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name  
does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now  
reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hastings Hutchings & Barclay* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the  
matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896,  
*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



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**End**

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421

421  
No 8075-  
421

Application of  
Morgan Miller

Charles Miller

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. \*

A. S. McKENNON

COM'Y

Replied

Chas. Miller, 0/16-



Application

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation  
I. T.

To the Hon.

Commission

The undersigned petitioner this  
day makes his application  
for citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I. T.

In accordance with the Consti-  
tutional laws of said nation  
and makes the following  
statement for the grounds

for his application Viz:

That his wife Becca Mills  
is the legal descendant of one  
John Jackson who was a  
Cherokee Indian and as he  
believes belonged to said  
tribe or nation that the applicant  
your petitioner's <sup>wife is</sup> the granddaughter  
of Rebecca Jackson who was  
the daughter of John Jackson  
the above named Cherokee Indian

The undersigned hereby  
presents the above facts  
lawful grounds

for this his application  
for citizenship in the

Said nation

P.O. address

Cleveland Conway Conn.

Family relation as follows

no	Morgan Mills	age	58	m
r	Rebecca Mills	age	46	f

In testimony of this my application  
witness my hand and signature  
hereunto.

This the 31<sup>st</sup> day of Aug  
A.D. 1896

Attest:

Morgan <sup>his</sup> Mills

Levi <sup>not</sup> H. Mills

H. L. Conley

I sworn to and subscribed  
before me and I certify that  
the affiant is personally  
known to me and that he  
is an credible person and  
of reputation in this community  
where he resides  
in testimony whereof I witness  
my official signature this  
August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896 H. L. Conley  
Justice of the peace



State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally came before  
the undersigned a Justice of  
the peace in and for the  
County and State aforesaid  
Levy Williams and Richard  
Shipps aged 58 & 54 Respt.  
who on their oath say that  
they are acquainted with  
the Applicants wife and know  
that she is related as stated  
to be by her husband

that they are not pecuniarily  
interested in this claim  
that their P.O. address is Cleve  
land Ark this August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896

Levy Williams

R. M. Shipps

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me and I certify  
that I am not interested in  
this claim that the Affiants  
are reputable persons  
so considered in this County  
in testimony whereof I witness  
My Official Signature  
this August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896 W. H. Conley J.P.



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Nation's No.

2686

Commission's No

In re Application of

Morgan Mills  
et al

**Demurrer and Answer.**

FILED SEPT. 1896.

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanias, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of  
*Morgan Mills et al*  
for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Nation's No. *2686*  
Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.

2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant *is* entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demurrer, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claim to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *Hottinger, Hutchings & Bandman* S. H. MAYES, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation. Attorneys.

John L. Adair, Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, *23* day of *Sept.* 1896.

*John L. Adair*  
*D. F. Ball*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

**End**



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No 8676

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Application

of

Newton Williams

Cherokee Native

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896. \*

A. S. McKENNON

COM 'R'

Repectd

Chuland, Ark

Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation D. C.

To the Hon. James Commissioner  
Gentlemen

The undersigned your petitioner  
this day makes this his Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation D. C.

in accordance with the laws  
of said Nation

and makes the following statement  
of the grounds for this his  
Application viz

that he is the lineal descendant  
of One John Jackson  
who was a Cherokee Indian  
and as he believes belongs to  
said Nation on the rolls of said  
Nation

that the Applicant your petitioner  
is Grand Son of Geo. Williams  
whose Mother was Rebecca Williams  
the being the daughter of John  
Jackson the above named  
Cherokee Indian

The undersigned your petitioner  
hereby presents the above facts  
true



his lawful grounds for this  
 his application  
 for Citizenship in said Nation  
 & address Cleveland Ohio  
 (Respectfully Submitted)  
 Family Relations as follows

Family Relations as follows			
No	Name	Age	Sex
1	Nathan Williams	25	1/2
2	Julia A Williams	26	7
3	Mary	6	7
4	Blain	3	1/2
5	Single		1/2

in Testimony of this day  
 Application returns  
 My signature hereunto  
 this 31<sup>st</sup> August 1896

Nathan Williams

Signed to and Subscribed before  
 Me and I certify that the affi-  
 ant is a respectable and  
 Credible person

in Testimony whereof witness my  
 Official signature this 31<sup>st</sup> day of  
 August 1896 M. L. Sprule  
 Justice of the peace

State of Arkansas  
County of Conway

Personally came before the  
undersigned a justice of the  
peace in and for the county  
and State above named  
Riley A. Williams and Morgan  
to the well known to be credible  
persons who being duly sworn  
say that they are personally  
acquainted with the applicant  
Nathan Williams have known  
him all of his life and know  
that he is the person he refers  
into himself to be that they are  
not interested in this application  
and that they are aged respectively  
and 58 & 60 address Cleveland  
Conway Co Ark this August 31<sup>st</sup>  
1896

Witness my  
hand

R. S. Williams  
Morgan Wells

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August  
1896 and I certify that I am  
not interested in the presentation  
of this application. Witness my official  
signature this August 31<sup>st</sup> 1896

**End**



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Nation's No. 2698  
Commission's No. 423

In re Application of  
John A. Williams  
et al.

Demurrer and Answer

FILED SEPT. 8 1896

A. S. MCKENNON

COM'R

Before the Honorables, Henry L. Dawes, Frank C. Armstrong, A. S. McKennon, T. B. Cabanis, and  
A. B. Montgomery, Commissioners.

In the matter of application of

*John H. Willigius*  
*et al*

Nation's No. *2698*

Commission's No. \_\_\_\_\_

for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation.

Your respondent, S. H. Mayes, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, comes now and demurs the said application, and for the grounds thereof says:

- 1st. That this Commission has not jurisdiction over the parties or subject matter of this controversy, and no legal right, therefore, to hear and determine the same.
- 2nd. That the application does not state facts sufficient, if true, to show that the applicant is entitled to citizenship.

Respondent not waiving his aforesaid demur, but insisting upon the same for answer to said application, says that

*John Jackson*  
through whom the petitioner claims to derive *his* right to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation, is not now, and has not been a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, since the removal of said Nation, west to the Indian Territory as at present located and defined; that his name does not appear on any of the authenticated rolls of said Nation; that neither he nor any of his ancestors now reside, or ever have resided in the Cherokee Nation and Indian Territory, as citizens thereof.

Having fully answered, your respondent asks to be hence dismissed.

By *S. H. Mayes*, *Principal Chief Cherokee Nation*.  
*John L. Adair*, *Executive Secretary, Cherokee Nation*, having been first duly sworn, states that the matters contained in the foregoing answer are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the *28* day of *Sept*, 1896.

*D. J. Ball*

NOTARY PUBLIC.



No 3078

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Application  
of  
John H. Williams  
Cherokee Nation

FILED SEPT. 8. 1896 ☆

☆ A. S. McKENNON ☆

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Receipt

Cherokee Nation

Application  
for Citizenship in the Cherokee  
Nation I H

To the Hon. Dawin Commissioned  
Gentlemen,

The undersigned your petitioner,  
this day makes this his applica-  
tion for citizenship in the  
Cherokee Nation I H

In accordance with the Constitution  
and laws of said Nation.

and makes the following statement  
of the grounds of this his  
Application for Citizenship

that he is a direct descendant  
of one John Jacksona Cherokee Indian  
whose name he believes appears  
on the roll of that tribe and that  
the said John Jacksona he fully  
believes belonged to said tribe  
The undersigned hereby presents  
the above facts

as lawful grounds for this his  
Application for Citizenship

(Respectfully Submitted) P O  
Address Cleveland Conway Co.  
Age 55 Years

# Hambley Relations As follows

No	Name	Sex	Age	Relation
1	John H Williams	M	58	Applicant
2	Mary J Williams	F	56	Wife to Apph.
3	Lisa Williams	F	36	Daughter
4	Sarah J Williams	F	34	" "
5	Daniel W Williams	M	32	Son
6	Melisa E Williams	F	30	Daughter
7	Nathan A Williams	M	25	Son
8	Martha M Williams	F	23	Daughter
9	Margaret J Williams	F	20	" "
10	Henry L Williams	M	16	Son

in Witness of which  
Applications of this day  
August 28<sup>th</sup> at New York

Witness to Applicants  
Signature

John H. Williams  
The Applicant above applicant  
further states that he is the  
son of Thos J Williams whose mother  
was Rebecca Williams nee Packer  
or daughter of John Packer  
or whose brother's name  
is Charles John H. Williams



State of Arkansas }  
County of Conway }  
Personally came before me the  
undersigned authority a Justice  
of the Peace within and for the County  
of <sup>State</sup> ~~of~~ said Leroy Williams aged 53  
and John F. Williams aged 52 yrs.  
who being duly sworn say as follows  
that they are Brother and Cousin to  
applicant and know that he is a  
son of Thos. J. Williams the  
reputed son of Rebecca Williams  
who is reputed to be the daughter  
of John Jackson the Cherokee Indian  
on whose account applicant  
claims Citizenship and they are not  
pecuniarily interested in this claim  
witness our hands and seals  
This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept 1896

Leroy Williams  
J. F. Williams

—over—

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
and I certify that they are each  
reputable persons and so credited  
in the community where they reside.  
In testimony whereof witness  
my official signature this 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of Sept. A.D. 1896

W. L. Conley  
Justice of the Peace

No 9078

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Application

of  
John H. Williams

Cherokee Nation

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A. S. McKENNON

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Repealed

Abundant, etc.



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OF  
REEL**





IMAGE EVALUATION  
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